

27 February 2026

Dear Families

Spanish Trip to Andalucía - November 2026

The Languages Department is delighted to offer our current Year 8 Spanish students the opportunity to enhance their study of the Language and Culture of Spain with a trip to Andalucía, mainland Spain's southernmost region, from Friday 27 - Monday 30 November 2026. The trip is aimed at those students keen to continue with Spanish at GCSE, with a view to practising their speaking skills and soaking up as much Spanish culture as possible.

The trip will see students stay on the world-renowned Costa del Sol, and from there enjoy visits to Málaga and Granada, two of the most historic and well-loved cities in Spain. During these visits, students will take part in a flamenco lesson and a cooking class, learning to prepare a traditional Spanish dish. They will also visit the Picasso Museum, Roman Theatre and Alcazaba fortress in Málaga, as well as the Albaicín district, San Nicolás viewpoint and city centre of Granada. Also included in the cost of the visit are language lessons at a language School in Granada, and a visit to the popular Plaza Mayor shopping centre in Málaga.

The cost of the visit, which is inclusive of return flights from London Gatwick, half-board accommodation (breakfast and dinner) in a hotel on the Costa del Sol and all excursions, including coach transfers, is estimated to be £669 per student. We do not anticipate this cost going up, although, as flight prices cannot be fixed until a deposit has been paid, we do advise families to keep an extra £50 available, should the cost of flights increase. You are invited to make a voluntary contribution to cover the cost of the trip, although I must inform you that, as the school could not bear the cost of the trip, unless all families who are able to pay the full price do so, the trip may have to be cancelled.

We have space for 40 students to join us on the trip. To secure your child's place, please make an initial deposit payment of £150 via the MCAS app by Friday 13 March 2026. This deadline allows us to take advantage of an early booking offer from our tour provider and secure the trip at the currently advertised price. Following this, the payment schedule below will apply:

Amount:	By:	Notes
£150	Friday 13 March 2026	Initial Deposit Payment
£86.50	Friday 24 April 2026	
£86.50	Friday 22 May 2026	
£86.50	Friday 26 June 2026	
£86.50	Friday 24 July 2026	
£86.50	Friday 21 August 2026	

£86.50	Friday 11 September 2026	Final Payment
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Please note that deposits will only be refunded if the trip does not run, and that all monies forwarded to our tour provider are non-refundable. We never want the price to be a barrier to members of our Sackville Community accessing trips and visits and, if you require some assistance in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are delighted to be able to offer support to those families in receipt of pupil premium funding. If this applies to you, please express your interest in the visit directly to me rather than signing up via the app.

We are delighted to be able to offer this enriching cultural and linguistic experience to our Year 8 Hispanists, and look forward to an enjoyable memorable trip. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via email to sfrancis@sackvilleschool.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mr Sam Francis
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