

GCU/FBA/JJA

15 July 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

RE: BARCELONA TRIP – FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER TO MONDAY 19 OCTOBER 2026

As our trip to Barcelona approaches, we would like to share some important updates and reminders.

Pre-Departure Meeting

A compulsory pre-departure meeting will be held on **Friday 25 September at 7:00 pm** here at The Academy. The meeting will last approximately one hour and will cover:

- Student room allocations.
- Final travel arrangements.
- Outstanding paperwork and documentation.
- An opportunity to ask any questions.

GHIC/EHIC Card

All students **must** have a valid **GHIC (Global Health Insurance Card)** or **EHIC (European Health Insurance Card)** to travel. If your child does not already have one, you can apply free of charge via the NHS website:

<https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/>

Trip Information

Our travel provider, EIL, has created a dedicated webpage with information about the visit to Barcelona:

<https://eiltravel.co.uk/cfp-gateway-academy-barcelona-2026/>

Accompanying Staff

The staff accompanying the trip will be:

- Mr Bedford – Assistant Principal
- Mr Baker - LSA
- Miss Livingstone – Lead Coach – Year 9
- Mr March – Technology Assistant
- Mrs Boureetaa – Head of Modern Foreign Languages

If you have any questions before the meeting, please contact either:

- Mrs Ciubotaru – gabriela.ciubotaru@theglc.org.uk
- Mrs Boureetaa – frederique.boureetaa@theglc.org.uk

We look forward to meeting you at the pre-departure meeting and to an enjoyable and successful trip to Barcelona.

Yours sincerely

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