

Altrincham Grammar School for Boys

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Dear Parent/Carer

German Exchange 2024

After the success of the previous German exchange in 2023 and previous exchanges going back to 1999, we are delighted to be arranging the next exchange for 2024.

Each year, myself and the German Department organise an exchange with our partner school in Germany. Friedrich Schiller Gymnasium is a mixed 11-18 Grammar School in Fellbach near Stuttgart in South-West Germany. This exchange adds a valuable contribution of your child's German course, and we encourage pupils to take up this motivating and exciting opportunity during the course of their school career.

The provisional dates (*dependent on Manchester and Stuttgart flights and could possibly change by +/-2 days) **are:**

FSG to UK: 19th September – 26^h September 2024*

AGSB to Germany: 10th October – 17th October 2024*

Cost: £480.00 (*dependent upon flights)

Accommodation: Your son will stay with the family of the exchange partner and his

partner will be staying in your home.

The cost of the trip includes return air travel, trips in Germany and the UK, travel Insurance and the costs associated with running a trip. Personal pocket money is **not** included.

During an exchange, the cost of food and transport to and from school is covered by the host families in both countries. The boys will take part in normal family life and school lessons for most of the week, as well as organised excursions. We must stipulate that this is a partnership with the German School and German students will be staying at your home and your son will be staying at their home on the return leg of the trip.

We wish to make it clear that if the visit takes place, no student will be denied participation on the grounds that no contribution has been made on their behalf. However, please be aware, if insufficient contributions are made, we will be unable to proceed with the trip. Full details about Pupil Premium and/or Bursary support for trips can be found on our website here.

Application process

Please discuss this with your child and If you wish them to take part in this trip, please can you complete an Expression of Interest Form using this <u>link</u>. Once numbers are confirmed, we will email to request you to complete the Trip Form and to pay any deposit/full payment via ParentPay. <u>Deadline for applications is by 9am on Thursday 29th February 2024.</u>

Additional information

Please read our new terms and conditions sheet attached which contains <u>important information</u> regarding medical, passports, EHIC/GHIC requirements and Covid compliance etc.

For further information, you are welcome to contact myself via dsmith@agsb.co.uk or you can speak to your sons' German Teacher.

Yours faithfully

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Mr D Smith

Trip Leader