



The trip will depart from Manchester airport over October half term 2027 when pupils in the current year 8 will be in year 10 and those currently in year 9 will be in year 11. Half term dates are yet to be confirmed but we are likely to be flying out on Saturday 23rd and return on Friday 28th October 2027. You will be responsible for getting your son to the airport and picking them up upon their return. Exact timings and itinerary will be confirmed nearer the time of departure.

Cost

The cost of the trip will be **£2500** payable in 6 instalments, the first being due before the end of this half term. This covers all travel (except to and from Manchester airport), accommodation and breakfast and evening meals at the hotel. Pupils will be responsible for purchasing their own lunches whilst on the trip at an estimated costs of between 15 and 25 dollars per day. Unfortunately, there will be an additional charge of £102.00 APD (Air Passenger Duty) Tax charged per passenger aged 16 whilst on the trip, that may affect some of the older pupils in year 9. Pupils will also have to be in possession of a valid ESTA which currently costs \$40 as well as any VISAs required for travelling to the US.

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: [Pupil Premium/Bursary](#)

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](#) by clicking on the link. Once the application deadline has passed places will be allocated using our Random Allocation Algorithm and you will be informed of the outcome.

Deadline for your Expression of Interest form is by 9am on Monday 29th June 2026, AT THE LATEST.

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

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at school on ssquire@agsb.co.uk.

Yours faithfully

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