

29 September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Music Tour to Belgium 2026 - Confirmation of Place Offer

Thank you for registering your child to be considered for the proposed Music tour to Belgium in July 2026. We are delighted to confirm that we are able to offer your young musician a place on this trip.

We are planning three concerts in three contrasting venues, within comfortable reach of our base in the medieval city of Kortrijk. From the mix of interested students, we are confident we will be able to create a strong Choir and a balanced Orchestral Concert Band, with options to create smaller instrumental groups. We will leave Parmiter's early on Friday 10 July and return during the afternoon/evening of Monday 13 July 2026.

The full cost of the trip is **£630** for travel by coach, half board accommodation in VJH Groeninghe Hostel, Kortrijk, and travel insurance; this also covers insurance for Covid related issues through Rayburn Tours. Full details of this guarantee are available [here](#).

Please note that, as per the entry requirements in Belgium, if you are travelling on a UK passport then your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after Tuesday 14 July 2026.

The full payment schedule is outlined below:

Amount	Payment Due Date
£230 (deposit)	Wednesday 8 October 2025
£200	Friday 28 November 2025
£200	Friday 30 January 2026

To secure your child's place on the trip, please make the **non-refundable** deposit payment of **£230** via [WisePay](#) (under Trips and Visits) and complete the [Medical Form](#) by **Wednesday 8 October 2025**.

By paying the deposit, you are consenting to your child taking part in the above school trip. May we take this opportunity to reiterate that this payment fully commits your child to the trip and no refunds will be given if your child pulls out, except as a direct and necessary result of any cause outside of the student's control (for example, if required to self-isolate in line with government guidance or serious illness/injury). If your child subsequently decides not to take part in the visit, you will lose all monies paid to date unless a replacement student can be found to fill the place. We reserve the right to remove any student from the trip if the above payment schedule is not met.

The safety and well-being of the students is our prime consideration. We are confident this will be a highly successful trip that gives your child the chance to perform to new audiences in new settings. To be as rewarding as possible, in the lead-up to the trip, all places will be subject to the Music Department's satisfaction that the student is appropriately committed to their school music groups. In addition, students who do not conform to the school's [Behaviour policy](#) during this time will forfeit their place and any monies already paid. During the trip, if your child fails to meet the behaviour expectations or if a concern exists about their suitability to partake in the activities, then you will be asked to make arrangements for your child to return from Belgium at your own expense.

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We hope you agree that this is a wonderful opportunity for our students and we are looking forward to an exciting tour. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to e-mail S.Bates@parmiters.herts.sch.uk. We look forward to confirming further arrangements in due course.

Yours sincerely



Mr S Bates
Director of Music