



Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to announce that Millthorpe School will be running an adventure trip to the Ardèche in the South of France with PGL in May 2027.

The Ardèche is set in the breathtaking beauty of Southern France, where students will canyon through ravines, canoe the crystal-clear waters of the iconic Ardèche Gorge and experience sleeping under the stars. Alongside the action on the water, we will be doing activities on camp such as archery tag, high ropes, discos and more. We will also get the opportunity to explore what France has to offer with a day trip out of camp. This is a trip your child will be talking about for years to come and offers so many awe-inspiring moments.

The dates for the trip are:

Saturday 22nd May 2027 – Saturday 29th May 2027 (the last week before May Half Term).

This trip is only open to our year group: we will be in Year 9 when this trip takes place. We only have **40 places available** for this trip as we anticipate a high demand, places will be allocated through a fair and transparent process:

How to Apply

- Students must return their reply slip by **Wednesday 15th July 2026**.
- If the trip is oversubscribed, we will allocate places according to our policy for oversubscribed trips: [Oversubscribed Trips Policy](#)
- Students offered a place must pay a **£100 deposit via ParentPay by Friday 11th September 2026** to secure their place.
- If the deposit is not paid by this date, the place will be offered to the next student on the waiting list.

Trip Details

The trip is organised by the tour operator **PGL** and will last a full week – 8 days/7 nights

The **total cost is £900 per student**, which includes:

- Full-Board stay at Domaine de Segries, our authentic stone farmhouse and cabin village
- An iconic 2-day, 22 miles descent down the Ardèche River by canoe, with an overnight stay in a National Nature Reserve
- High-Adrenaline Canyoning in the Ardechios Cevennes Mountains (half day)
- A thrilling visit to a local high ropes centre (half day)
- An enriching excursion day which takes in local attractions, e.g. medieval cities, beaches, cave paintings.
- On-Centre activities such as swimming, archery tag, disc golf and discos
- Excellent on-site facilities such as basketball, volleyball, table tennis and chill out zones

This trip offers students a chance to switch off from online: they will not have access to their phones during the Ardèche descent and while on activities but we will have keep you all updated through our social media channels.

Payment Schedule

- **£100 deposit** to secure the place due no later than **Friday 11th September 2026**
- **£165** due by **Friday 13th November 2026**
- **Final balance** is due no later than **Friday 5th March 2027**

Please note that some or all of the payment may be non-refundable, depending on when a child is withdrawn from the trip and whether it is possible to fill their place. Full details will be provided if you are successful in gaining a place.

We know this trip will be extremely popular, so to avoid disappointment, please ensure reply slips are returned by **Wednesday 15th July 2026** and deposits are paid by **Friday 11th September 2026**.

We look forward to offering students this exciting opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

S. Ramplin
Trip Leader – Ardèche Adventure 2027

The link below is a promotional video that was shown to the students during the assembly launch

<https://vimeo.com/1120797751?fl=pl&fe=sh>

.....

REPLY SLIP – Ardèche Adventure Summer 2027

Student Name..... Form

Please include my child's name in the draw. **I am aware that the deposit of £100.00 must be paid via Parentpay by Friday 11th September 2026**

Please confirm if your child can **swim confidently 15m or more & can duck their head under water without panicking YES/NO**

Signature