



NEWSTEAD WOOD SCHOOL

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10 July 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

French Trip to Oujda and Casablanca, Morocco - 30 March to 4 April 2025

I am delighted to offer your daughter the opportunity to participate in a unique cultural and linguistic experience through our student exchange trip to Morocco, scheduled for **30 March to 4 April 2025**.

This student exchange trip is not just a visit, but a transformative experience. It's designed to prepare students for the culture of tomorrow by helping them develop the social, moral, spiritual and cultural strengths that will enable them to succeed in the wider world. Unlike a traditional school trip, our fully-immersive student exchange visit will allow your daughter to experience first-hand what it's like to attend a school with a very different culture, lifestyle and curriculum. This life-changing experience encourages personal development and teaches valuable life skills such as leadership, maturity and independence.

Students will visit the cities of Casablanca and Oujda and be afforded the opportunity to learn language and practice in an authentic context with native speakers.

The trip costs **£835**, and we have tried to make it as all-inclusive as possible. The cost includes return flights to Morocco, including internal flights between Casablanca and Oujda, airport transfer (in Morocco), 5 nights B&B accommodation in a 2*hotel, all meals (excluding lunch daily), travel insurance, and all our excursions. **Please be aware, the total cost of the trip may change slightly after the deposit has been paid.**

We will again be travelling with Global School Alliance. It is a highly reputable company based in the UK that successfully organises worldwide student study trips. Global School Alliance will plan and organise all transport, accommodation, and visits according to UK health and safety guidelines and provide us with 24-hour emergency support in the country, should it be required.

As part of our sistership school program, students participating in the trip will be immersed in a French-speaking environment and they will enhance their language proficiency through daily interactions and practical use of French in real-world situations. Additionally, they will develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of Moroccan culture, broadening their global perspective. This unique opportunity will foster new friendships, boost their confidence in speaking French, and create lasting memories that enrich their educational journey.

If your child would like to participate in the trip, we require payment of a **£100 deposit** via WisePay **by Friday 19 July**.

Headteacher: Mr Alan Blount, MA, BSc, QTS

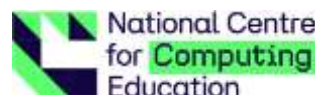
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The remaining balance of £735 will be due as follows:

£245 by 16 September 2024

£245 by 18 November 2024

£245 by 13 January 2025

Alternatively, please feel free to pay the full **£835** upfront. The number of places is limited to 34, and they will be allocated on a first-paid basis of the deposit or full payment. Further information will be distributed once I have a list of those who wish to participate in the trip.

Please be aware that payment on WisePay for the trip constitutes permission to attend this trip. Should you have any financial concerns about payment, please contact finance@newsteadwood.co.uk in confidence.

Once your place is confirmed, I will need you to complete two forms using the link below **by 10 September 2024**.

Code of Conduct <https://forms.office.com/e/vnDP1NYNaq>

Passport details <https://forms.office.com/e/N9RiCu6a4G>

For the purpose of trip safety, emergency contact and medical information for students will be taken from the school database Please check and update school with any changes via the Arbor app or by email to Office@newsteadwood.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs P Bongout
Assistant Headteacher