



# Spalding High School

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Dear Parents/Carers

## ***Exploring Croatia 4<sup>th</sup> April – 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025***

The Geography department is delighted to inform you that we are proposing a visit to Croatia in April 2025. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to experience a unique landscape. This trip is being offered only to GCSE and A-Level Geography students. Whilst it is not a compulsory part of either of these two courses it will certainly extend the knowledge and understanding of units taught and will enhance students' awareness of this amazing environment. The country offers an opportunity to see, at first hand, an amazing array of geographical landforms and landscapes.

### **Some of the excursions to be included during the trip will be (see Powerpoint on School website):**

- *Boat trip to Kornati National Park. Located in the northern part of the Dalmatia it is an unusual park because it is entirely made from an archipelago with the highest density of islands in the entire Mediterranean.*
- *A morning walk along a portion of Lungo Mare, a sea promenade that extends from Volosko to Lovran.*
- *A hike along the Vela Draga canyon valley at Učka Mountain - a natural monument and one of the most beautiful geomorphological phenomena in Croatia.*
- *A guided walking tour and boat trip on Lake Kozjak. Plitvice Lakes is the oldest national park in southeast Europe and the largest national park in Croatia, it borders Bosnia and Herzegovina.*

The dates for the trip are Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025. The cost of the trip will be approximately £1,100 - £1,125 (this approximation is due to flights not currently being available to book) and is inclusive of full board accommodation for 4 nights, flights, travel to and from airport, excursions, a trip hoody and insurance. Please note that as this is an "optional extra", full payment is compulsory and the School will not be able to provide any financial assistance.

If you would like your child to attend this trip, complete the form by [clicking here](#); the deadline is Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February once confirmed you will then be able to access the online payment system to pay the non-refundable deposit of £125.00 no later than 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024. We have reserved the trip based on 40 students, so to ensure your child secures a place, please complete this as soon as possible. Please be advised that deposits cannot be returned or transferred to another trip if your child changes their mind.

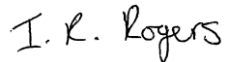
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,125.00</b>
Deposit 29.02.2024	£125.00
30.03.2024	£110.00
30.04.2024	£110.00
30.05.2024	£110.00
30.06.2024	£110.00
30.07.2024	£110.00
30.08.2024	£110.00
30.09.2024	£110.00
30.10.2024	£110.00
30.11.2024	£120.00
<b>Balance</b>	<b>£0.00</b>

Priority will initially be given to the current Y10 and Y12 geography students and those in Y11 who have opted to stay at Spalding High School to study to A-Level Geography, followed by current Year 9 who have opted for GCSE. It may also be necessary to take into account student attendance and behaviour at school, so as not to place the safety of students, staff and their peers at risk.

Please be aware before you commit, that this trip is very active and a certain level of physical fitness will be needed to take part in the activities.

Please do contact me if you have any questions or queries.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "I. R. Rogers". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'I' and 'R'.

Mrs Ingrid Rogers  
Trip Leader