



# The Crossley Heath School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

## Re: Computing! Live Disneyland Paris 2026 / GCSE Computer Science Trip

The Computer Science department are excited to be organising their first ever school trip, exclusively for our current Year 10 GCSE students to attend the annual Computing! Live conference/seminar at Disneyland® Paris in **February 2026 for 3 nights and 4 days. The cost of the trip is £615 per student**, and this includes all costs apart from service station stops while traveling, lunch in Disney for each day, and any souvenirs that your child may wish to purchase from the Disney stores at the theme park. **We will depart from school in the morning on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February, and return back to school in the evening on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February.**

The cost of the trip includes:

- One Computing Seminar and a number of specialist assignments delivered by subject experts, bringing classroom teaching alive through an exploration of the related working practices at Disneyland® Paris. Each topic is reflected in the seminars, Workshop or Student Assignments. Key topics include Computer Basics, Digital Design, Computational Thinking and Communications.
- Return coach travel and Channel crossings from Crossley Heath to Disneyland® Paris.
- Three nights' hotel accommodation at the Cheyenne Disney Hotel on a bed & continental breakfast board
- Two days Hopper Ticket to Disneyland® Paris and Walt Disney Studios® Park
- One evening meal at the Cheyenne Hotel (night 1)
- Two Disney Meal vouchers (for evening meals on nights 2 and 3)
- Interactive Educational App
- Fully comprehensive travel insurance for all staff and students (please note that personal items such as mobile phones and cameras are not covered on the school's insurance policy).
- Government taxes and service charges

This exciting trip is entirely optional, and while it enriches the learning experience, is not essential. Financial support may be available for children who are eligible for free school meals (FSM) or who are not eligible for FSM but are experiencing financial difficulty. If you would like to apply for assistance in confidence, then please contact the finance office on [payments@crossleyheath.org.uk](mailto:payments@crossleyheath.org.uk).

### Travel Requirements

All students will need a valid passport which must be:

- Issued less than 10 years before the date you enter the country (check the 'date of issue')
- Valid for at least 3 months after the day you plan to leave (check the 'expiry date')

All students will also need a valid GHIC/EHIC card.

**To sign up your son/daughter for this trip, please make the initial non-refundable deposit payment of £60 via ParentPay before the deadline of Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. The remaining balance can be paid in full or in instalments throughout the year as you prefer, however, please see a recommended instalment guide on the next page. You may also pay the full balance at any time before Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October if you would prefer to pay for the trip sooner. This date is when all payments must be completed by.**

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Please note that by paying a deposit, you are committing to paying for the trip in full as the school will be committed to paying for all places booked with the tour operator. The payment schedule is as follows:

**Proposed ParentPay Payment Plan**

<b>Payment Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>Initial Deposit of £60</b>	<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>
<b>Second Deposit of £75</b>	<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b>£120 each month</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> July, 20<sup>th</sup> August, 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b>Final payment of £120</b>	<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>

You are welcome to pay in larger amounts, these are the minimum payments expected.

Please note that if your son/daughter secures a place but then decides to withdraw from the trip, you must notify us immediately in writing as you will be liable for any cancellation costs incurred if a replacement cannot be found. The school reserves the right to withdraw from the trip any student whose behavioural record at school proves inconsistent with the safe running of the trip, between now and the date of the trip taking place.

I appreciate that this trip is taking place when your son/daughter is in Year 11, however, the date of the trip has been carefully considered, taking into account the Year 11 academic calendar and we are confident that the benefits of the trip will outweigh any potential concerns you may have with their 3 school days absent for the trip duration. The trip will be hugely beneficial to our Year 11 Computer Science students and will further enhance their knowledge within the Computer Science field. Coupled with the fantastic facilities on offer, the trip will be one that students will benefit from not just academically, but socially and emotionally.

Further details including an information evening will be given nearer the time, however, if you have any additional queries regarding this visit, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mr N. Charlesworth  
**Teacher of Computer Science & Trip Leader**