



The Group Travel Specialists

Glanmire Community College – Group 1/A School Tour to Barcelona

29 March – 02 April 2025



**GTI
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+353 86 8232181

Airline:

Ryanair
Corporate Head Office
Airside Business Park
Swords
County Dublin
Tel: +353 1 5825932

In the event of an airline cancelling flights abroad. It is the airline's responsibility to put the group on the next available flight. If the group have to overnight. GTI will assist the group leader in finding accommodation but it is the responsibility of the group leader to make payment and claim back directly from the airline

Coaching:

Luxbus
Av.Castell de Vilafortuny 39A
Cambrils
Tarragona 43850
Spain
+34 977 378701
24 hour **Emergency** +34 608 934747

Accommodation:

Hotel 4R Salou Park Resort I
c/Amposta, 2
43840 Salou
Tarragona
Spain
Tel: +34 977 35 18 73

Insurance:

Blue Insurance
Plaza 212
Blanchardstown Corporate Park
Dublin 15
01 2478900
Emergency & Medical Service while abroad
+353 91 560 616

Policy GTI100018

Please note that anyone with a pre-existing illness should ring the Health Check number 0818 286 537 to advise, otherwise the insurance policy will not be valid.

Important Notice:

Please make sure all students have their passport signed for check in at the Aer Lingus check in desk.

All students must travel with a passport and not their passport cards.

Cork Airport Notice effective immediately.

Hoodies must be removed going through Security for all passengers.

Please make sure girls especially have a tee shirt underneath their Hoodies.

Day 1 Saturday, 29 March 2025

17:35hrs Arrive **Cork Airport**. Please ensure you bring your boarding cards for your flight. For those 50 people with (priority and 2 cabin bags) please make your way through security to your designated boarding gate. For those 8 people who have to check-in their 10 kilo bag, please proceed to the desk displaying flight number FR 9308. Please ensure your cabin baggage is within the maximum dimensions as outlined below:

Baggage:

One x 10 Kg bag is included per person with maximum dimensions of 55x40x20cm

One small bag (handbag, small rucksack etc), which must fit under the seat with maximum dimensions of 40x20x25cm

Carrier: Ryanair

Destination: Barcelona

Flight Number: FR 9308

Locators: CRD37N (25), VJ3N5L (25) & KNQCGM (8)

Proceed to security and present your boarding card for inspection

Please make sure you keep your boarding card in a safe place with your passport for presentation at the boarding gate and also at security check.

20:35hrs Depart on flight FR 9308 from **Cork** Airport to Barcelona

23:50hrs Arrive Barcelona Airport

Day 2 Sunday, 30 March 2025

00:30hrs When you are ready to depart, please call this number: 0034 6089 34747 to contact your bus company and you will be told where to meet your bus driver

01:00hrs Depart by coach from Barcelona Airport and transfer to your hotel for check in

02:30hrs Check into your hotel.

4 night's accommodation at

**Hotel 4R Salou Park Resort I
c/Amposta, 2**

**43840 Salou
Tarragona
Spain
Tel: +34 977 35 18 73**

**IMPORTANT: €30 security deposit per person payable on arrival
€1.32 tourist tax per person per day (over 16 years)
payable on arrival**

Cold Dinner Plate for the group?

Overnight accommodation

09:00hrs Breakfast at your hotel (Buffet 08:00 - 10:00hrs)

10:00hrs Depart by coach from your hotel and transfer to **Port Aventura**

Visit to **Port Aventura Adventure Park (10:30hrs – 18:00)**
Confirmed – Res 1488764

Amigos de Port Aventura
Avda. Pere Molas
km.2 Vila-s
Barcelona 43480
Spain
Tel: +34 977779210

Important: Please remember to bring your letter from the school, dated and stamped listing the names and dates of birth of the students along with the teachers names

Enjoy a 1 day visit to Port Aventura theme park and get ready to embark on a trip through five exciting lands featuring rides, shows and attractions. Experience the Dragon Khan roller coaster with 8 inverted loops, try out the two track roller coaster Stampida entirely made of wood and get soaked on Tutuki Splash.

Cost included in your tour price – Pre paid on your behalf.

18:15hrs Depart by coach from an agreed point with driver and back to your hotel

19:30hrs Buffet dinner at your hotel

Overnight accommodation

Day 3 Monday, 31 March 2025

08:00hrs Breakfast at your hotel (Buffet breakfast 08:00hrs -10:00hrs)

09:00hrs Depart by coach from your hotel and transfer to the Cosmo Caixa Science Museum in central Barcelona

10:30hrs Visit to **Cosmo Caixa Science Museum** Barcelona – **Confirmed BX56BHE3EEDY**

Cosmo Caixa
Teodor Roviralta 47 - 51
08022
Barcelona
Spain
Tel: +34 93212605

Important: Please remember to bring your letter from the school, dated and stamped listing the names and dates of birth of the students along with the teacher's names

This amazing museum, which opened in 2005, has been heralded as the finest science museum in Europe. CosmoCaixa Barcelona has an enormous variety of content and an innovative layout, turning it into one of the most modern museums of its kind. The new 50.000 m² building increases the scientific offer of its predecessor.

The exhibitions are distributed throughout various rooms, including the Amazon Forest, the Geological Wall, Planetarium, etc. Visitors are invited to interact with many of the scientific experiments, making the whole experience richer and more entertaining, particularly for children

13:00hrs Depart by coach from an agreed point with driver and transfer to Las Arenas shopping centre for lunch and some free time shopping

13:30hrs **Las Arenas Shopping Centre**
Gran Via de Les Corts Catalanes, 373-385
08015 Barcelona,
Spain
+34 932 89 02 44

Formerly **Barcelona Bull fighting ring**, this spectacular shopping centre is home to over 110 top brand shops and restaurants over 6 floors. Don't miss your chance to stroll on the free Arenas Skywalk roof terrace with restaurants and 360 degree panoramic views of Montjuic Hill and Barcelona City. Open daily except Sunday, from 10:00hrs to 22:00hrs

14:30hrs Depart by coach from **an agreed point with driver** and transfer to the Cosmo Caixa Museum

15:00hrs Visit **RCD – Stage Front Stadium/ Estadi Cornellà-EI Prat – Confirmed**

**Av. Del Baix Llobregat, 100
08940 Cornellà de Llobregat
Barcelona
Spain
Tel: +34 932 92 77 00**

The RCDE tour offers the chance to revisit the magical moments of our past, discover its secrets and understand the history of a club with plenty of unforgettable moments lived during the last 121 years.

During the tour we will wander around the Stadium facilities and we will show you the most unique areas. Have you ever imagined how it will feel to be the team's coach? Speaking in a press conference? Or visiting the first team dressing room? Beyond a doubt, you will live an experience that will move you closer to the world of Spanish football. What's more, you will be able to imagine what a player from the first team feels before stepping on the field!

MOMENTS OF OUR HISTORY

Over the course of the tour we will also visit the memorable club's historical room. The room, named after Ricardo Zamora, is the perfect scenario to learn about RCDE's history. There you could find the most important assortment of cups, trophies, pictures and other meaningful objects the club has gathered from the very beginning to the present. The historical room pays tribute to all the successful football events of our history, but so too is a place for honouring the memory of other sport sections that have previously been part of the club but no longer exist. Further to this, nearby to this room we will find the corridor that links the dressing room with the mixed zone where you could find an exhibition with most of the jerseys that have been worn by the first team from 1900 to the present year.

16:15hrs Depart by coach from an agreed point with driver and transfer back to your hotel

18:00hrs Time at the pool

Buffet dinner at your hotel

Overnight accommodation

Day 4 Tuesday, 01 April 2025

08:00hrs Breakfast at your hotel (Buffet breakfast 08:00hrs -10:00hrs)

09:00hrs Depart by coach from your hotel and transfer to Tarragona

09:30hrs **Tarragona**

Tarragona manages to be both a stylish contemporary and historic centre. You can combine both cultural and leisure pursuits here, touring

Tarragona's many Roman and Medieval sights - its spectacular Medieval Gothic/Romanesque cathedral is particularly striking. Tarragona's centre, a mix of Medieval and Roman architecture, is also one of the most attractive in Catalonia. The Romans stamped their mark on Tarragona first calling it Tarraco. Tarragona during the Roman period around 27BC was a key Spanish centre.

It's not all Roman however in Tarragona. The Christians adopted it as a centre around 1089, and Medieval buildings and monuments here in Tarragona are equally absorbing - take the striking central old town Gothic cathedral with its intricate wall carvings, an old Jewish Quarter and a Medieval hospital. Add to this a long list of superb museums including a maritime museum, archaeological museums focusing on the Roman, a Tarragona harbour museum and a weapons museum, not to mention Tarragona's Museum of Modern art and its selection of beaches including town beach Platja del Miracle, oh and fantastic specialist shopping, Sunday markets and a choice of divine restaurants all come together to make Tarragona an exciting place to be!

09:30hrs

Reservation for 6 site entries: Passeig Arqueologic, Circ-Pretori, Forum de la Colonia, Amphitheatre, Casa Castellarnau, Casa Canals - **Confirmed Res 75529253 & 75529532**

Important: Letter from the school on school headed paper, dated and stamped listing all student's names and dates of birth, along with the accompanying teacher's names

Travel back in time and tour the ancient city of Tarraco. You will also visit two noble houses.

1. Discover the ancient city of Tarraco starting the route at the Amphitheater , the building dedicated to gladiator fights.
2. Continue along the Roman Circus where the chariot races were held and go up to the Praetorium tower, an ancient medieval castle.
3. Visit Casa Castellarnau and see the mythological characters that appear on the ceiling of the ballroom.
4. Continue along the Archaeological Walk to see the oldest preserved monument in Tarraco, the Roman wall.
5. Visit Casa Canals, one of the few stately homes in

Tarragona that has been preserved with integrity to this day.

The visit ends at the Forum of the Colony, the heart of the social and political life of the Roman colony

Amphitheatre, Tarragona – (Open 09:00hrs – 20:00hrs)

The Amphitheatre completed the trilogy of buildings of shows (theatre, circus and amphitheatre) badges of a top-tier Roman city, the capital of one of the imperial provinces. The building is the result of the evergetica of a provincial flamen (imperial priest) whose name is unknown but it is known that he lived in the early 2nd century AD.

The building was located outside the town, although very close to the city. This location is not occasional, as it was very close to the Via Augusta, shortly before ending in the city, and near the beach, where they unloaded the animals that were to participate in the shows.

In the amphitheatre there were two types of activities: the struggles of gladiators (*munera*) and struggles or beasts hunts (*venationes*). In addition, the Amphitheatre was also the place where *ajusticiaven* are condemned to death

Circo Romano, Tarragona – (Open 09:00hrs – 20:00hrs)

The circus was, without a doubt, the most popular mass show in the Roman world. In this enclosure the races of cars, usually thrown by two or four horses (*beams* or *quadrigues*) were disputed.

The building was built at the end of the 1st century AD, during the reign of Domitian, and was part of the large provincial monumental complex, which occupied the lower terrace. Its state of conservation is exceptional. The Roman circus of Tarraco had approximate dimensions of 325 meters in length and a width of between 100 and 115 meters. It was built on powerful cement turns that fulfilled a double function: on the one hand, they were the foundation on which the stands, the stairs and the upper platform were located; On the other hand, they served as internal runners that allowed spectators to be distributed throughout the building. On this network of vaults rested the upper platform of the building and the stands, arranged along three sides, while in the fourth the *carras* or point of departure of the cars were placed.

The stand was separated from the sand (the space where the show was developed) for a wall of more than 2 meters high, the podium, which had the function of protecting viewers in the event that there was a type of accident (*shipwreck*) during the show. Approximately in the center of one of the long sides of the circus, the northern part, and joined to the buildings that formed the provincial forum, was *pulvinar*.

One of the short sides of the building was occupied by the shells, in which they generally opened twelve exit chambers, six on each side of a front door. Recent archaeological excavations have located these structures in the subsoil of the current building of the City Council of Tarragona. The carcasses were flanked by a tower. The whole sector was known by the name of *oppidum*. The game organizer (*editor spectaculorum*), who had the honor of leaving the game, enjoyed a place reserved for the terrace on the shells, while the magistrates that controlled the race, the correct behavior of the chariots, order of arrival, a tribune (*tribunal iudicum*) was reserved to them. Current data suggests that during the 5th century the building lost, at least partially, the original function. Some of the vaults that formed it happened to occupy themselves as room spaces.

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| 11:30hrs | Depart by coach from an agreed point with driver and transfer to the Parc Central shopping centre |
| 12:00hrs | Arrive at the Centro Commercial |

Centro Commercial Parc Central
C/ del Cardenal Vidal I Barraquer, 15, 17
43005 Tarragona
Spain
Tel: +34 977 22 87 97

Enjoy lunch at own expense and some free time for shopping

14:30hrs Depart by coach from **an agreed point with driver** and transfer back to Salou

15:00hrs Arrive in **Dracbeach, Salou** (Bicycle Hire) – **Confirmed**

Drac Beach
Ctra de la Costa, 80
Edificio Uolas
43840 Salou
Tarragona
Spain
Tel: +34 699 94 81 11 (Maria)

Group to collect bikes and helmets at the above address. (The group will have 1 monitor and a van with the group for any flat tyres etc).

Group to cycle from Dracbeach Salou along the coast road cycle path to Cambrils and back again to Dracbeach Salou

17:00hrs Depart by coach from an agreed point with driver and transfer back to your hotel to enjoy some time at the pool (if open and if weather permits)

19:30hrs Buffet dinner at your hotel (**20:00hrs – 22:00hrs**)

Overnight accommodation

Day 4 Wednesday, 02 April 2025

08:00hrs Breakfast at your hotel (Buffet breakfast 08:00hrs -10:00hrs)

08:30hrs Check out of the hotel and load luggage onto the coach

09:00hrs Depart by coach from your hotel and transfer to central Barcelona
(Estación de Francia (Bus Stop))

10:30hrs Arrive at Estacion de Francia (Bus Stop) and walk 17 minutes to the Maremagnum Shopping Centre

11:00hrs Maremagnum Shopping Centre (10:00hrs – 21:00hrs)
Maremagnum PI 2
Barcelona

Spain
Tel:+34 93 225 8100

Maremagnum is a big shopping centre and, in addition, it is located in a wonderful area. It was constructed over the Mediterranean sea and it enlarges "Las Ramblas" being called "Rambla del Mar". It's not a high building but it's very wide. It's next to the marina and the Yacht Club as well as other attractions like the Aquarium and the IMAX cinema. You access the shopping centre you must walk over a wooden footbridge.

There are a lot of shops here with the main international brands of fashion, complements, books or decoration. There are cafeterias, restaurants and cinemas as well.

Time for some shopping and lunch at own expense

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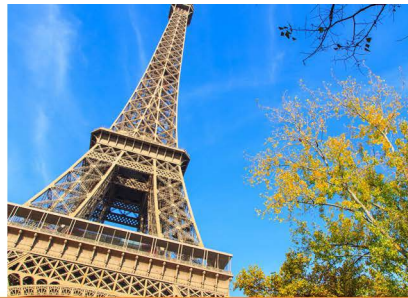
17:20hrs Depart on Ryanair flight FR 9307 from Barcelona Airport

18:50hrs Arrive **Cork** Airport

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We understand that the requirements of each group are different and we use our extensive knowledge to plan your ideal itinerary based around your group's interests and budget.