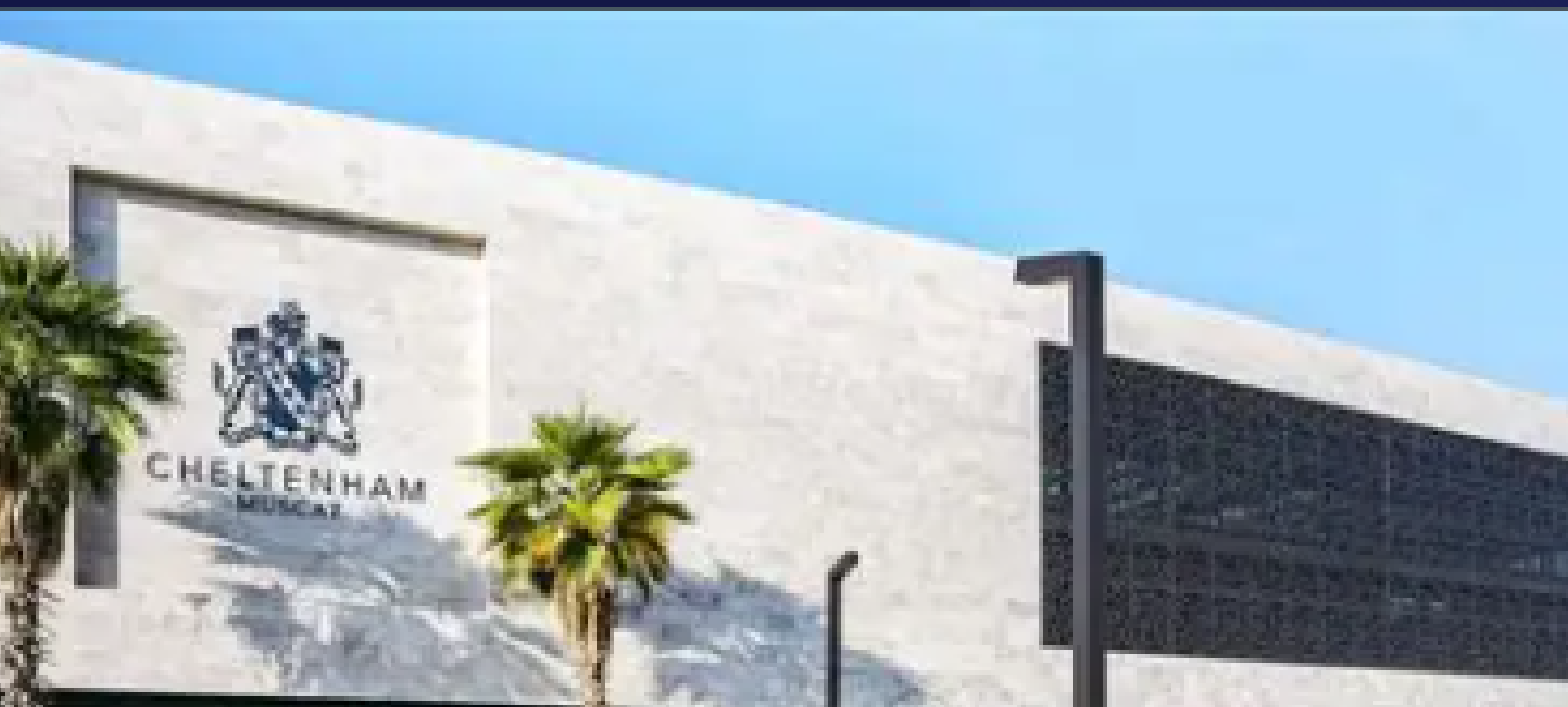


Cheltenham Muscat Trips and Residentials

Academic Year 2026 - 2027



Introduction



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Beyond The Curriculum

At Cheltenham Muscat, we believe that some of the most valuable learning takes place beyond the classroom. While a strong academic curriculum provides students with essential knowledge and skills, it is equally important that they have opportunities to apply what they have learned in real-world contexts, develop independence, broaden their perspectives and challenge themselves in new environments. We are committed to continually expanding our programme of educational trips and experiences, ensuring that students can connect their classroom learning to the wider world. Through these opportunities, students are encouraged to explore, question, collaborate and put their knowledge into practice, creating memorable experiences that enrich their education and contribute to their personal development.

Questions about trips?

If you have any questions regarding any of the trips featured in this brochure, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Liam Hirrel.

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Day Trips and Rewards

Our school is thrilled to introduce a termly rewards programme that celebrates students who consistently demonstrate the 5Cs: Community, Continuous Excellence, Character, Curiosity, and Creativity. Through our House Points system, students earn points by exhibiting these qualities, fostering a sense of unity and friendly competition among peers. Each term, students who achieve Gold, Silver, or Bronze awards will be invited to exclusive reward trips, to celebrate their success. Students can also look forward to subject based trips, aimed at embedding our learning outside of the classroom. Students can expect visits to aquariums, national museums, and other enriching destinations, providing opportunities to extend learning beyond the classroom. These trips not only acknowledge individual and collective achievements but also encourage collaboration and a positive school culture. Parents can look forward to these experiences, which aim to deepen students' understanding and appreciation of their studies, while reinforcing the values that contribute to their personal growth.



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Grade 4 Residential

We are excited to share that our Grade 4 students will soon embark on an unforgettable residential trip to the Dusit D2 Resort, an experience designed to support their growth in several of our school's core values, including Character and Community. These trips provide a valuable opportunity for students to develop independence, strengthen friendships, and build resilience in a safe, supportive environment.

The experience includes a comfortable resort transfer from Birkat Al Mawz, and all specialist equipment needed for the activities outlined in the itinerary will be provided. Under the guidance of qualified instructors, students will take part in a range of exciting, skill-building activities that promote collaboration, confidence, and personal growth.

Date:

9-10 December

Location:

Jabal Akdhar

Approximate Cost:

TBC

Example Day

Depart school and transfer to Birkat al Mawz.

Another transfer to Jabal Akdhar and the Dusit D2 resort where you will be camping for one night in tents.

1100 - Arrival at the Dusit D2 and tent allocation.

1230: Lunch - students and teachers to bring their lunch for today.

1330: Activity Whole Group: Team-building games- ice-breakers Treasure hunt & orienteering

Accommodation in tents with full amenities @ Dusit D2 - there will be a hotel room available for boys and one for girls for bathroom use and a room for teachers.



Grade 5 Residential

We are excited to share that our Grade 5 students will soon embark on an unforgettable residential trip, an experience designed to support their growth in several of our school's core values, including Character and Community. These trips offer a meaningful opportunity for students to develop independence, strengthen friendships, and build resilience in a safe, supportive environment. With the support of GET guides from arrival to departure, students will explore a range of culturally rich sites including Jibreen Castle (where one of the nights will be spent camping), Hoota Cave, the Oman Across Ages Museum, Bait Al Safa, and Nizwa Fort. All entrance fees are included, and the experience is designed to be both educational and inspiring, with hands-on learning that brings Omani history and heritage to life.

Date:

8-10 December 2026

Location:

Jibreen Castle

Approximate Cost:

200omr (This price is approximate price only)

Example Day

0830: Depart school. 1000 - Arrival at Brikat al Mawz village. Guided tour of this historical village and plantations. 1115: Continue to the old village of Tanuf. Wadi Geology and Geo-cache game. 1230: Lunch. Tanuf falaj or similar. Students bring own picnic lunch. 1330: Activity Whole Group: Hoota Cave visit and tour. Continue to your accommodation where you will set up tents and have some time to settle into your area for camping. Team building ice-breaker games 1815: Dinner & Evening activity: Memory Game!	Accommodation: camping location on night 1 - will be inside the gardens of a large villa with facilities & Jibreen Castle Camping - sharing tents: 2-3 per tent / Teachers in single tents. All meals from dinner on arrival to lunch on departure.
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Grade 6 Residential

We are excited to share that our Grade 6 students will soon embark on an unforgettable three-day residential trip to Jebel Sifah, an experience designed to support their growth in key school values such as Character and Community. These extended trips offer a meaningful opportunity for students to develop independence, deepen friendships, and build resilience in a safe and supportive environment. Upon arrival at GECO Camp Sifah, students will enjoy an orientation game and settle into their tents before jumping into a range of exciting activities. Over the three days, students will take part in team-building games, an adventurous hike, paddle boarding, snorkeling, all designed to encourage collaboration, confidence, and a connection to the natural world.

Date:

8-10 December 2026

Location:

Jebel Sifah

Approximate Cost:

200omr (This price is approximate price only)

Example Day

0715: Breakfast 0830: Briefing for activities. Whole group at Dunes Beach for various activities: 0900: Activities: Group 1: Stand-up-paddle Group 2: Snorkelling Group 3: Raft-building All groups rotate through the activities during the day at the beach. 1230: Lunch at the beach. Afternoon: Beach Olympics whole group. 1630: Return to Camp. 1800: Dinner	Accommodation in tents with full amenities @ GECO Camp. Specialist Equipment for those activities in the itinerary. GET Guides and assistance from arrival to departure. All meals and refreshments as specified - from dinner on day 1 to lunch on day 3.
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Grade 7 Residential

We are thrilled to offer our Grade 7 students an exciting and enriching residential trip that takes them from the historic town of Ibra to the stunning dunes of Wahiba Sands, and onward to the beautiful coast of Ras al Hadd. This unique three-day experience is designed not only to provide adventure and discovery, but also to support the development of our students in line with our school's core values such as, Character and Community, Students will begin their journey with a visit to the Old Town of Ibra to explore its cultural history, followed by a transfer to Wahiba Sands where they will hike to a remote desert camp. There, they will enjoy sandboarding, a traditional dinner under the stars, and a magical stargazing activity. The adventure continues with a visit to Wadi Bani Khalid's beautiful natural pools and concludes with a memorable evening at Ras al Hadd, where students will have the chance to witness nesting turtles in their natural habitat.

Date:

8-10 December 2026

Location:

Desert and Wadi Adventure

Approximate Cost:

200omr (This price is approximate price only)

Example Day

Early rise and breakfast and sunrise in the dunes. Some more time for Sand-boarding before packing up camp. Depart the desert and visit the famous mountain pools of Wadi Bani Khalid. Time here for swimming and exploring in the natural pools within the wadi. Afternoon - transfer to Ras al Hadd with a short visit to the Sur Dhow building yard. Arrival in Ras al Hadd and set up camp before dinner. In the evening we visit the turtle sanctuary with the opportunity to see nesting turtles.	Food Example: Breakfast: Lunch: Dinner: Buffet - Cereals, bread, fruit, jams, cheese, honey, fruit juice, boiled egg, juice. Picnic lunch or local provider Varied menus Evening: Local food- chicken, rice/biriyani, dhal
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Grade 8 Residential

We are excited to offer our Grade 8 students a memorable residential trip to the stunning Jebel Shams region, designed to promote growth in key school values such as Character, Community, and Continuous Excellence. Over several days, students will enjoy activities including hiking the famous Balcony Trail, rock climbing, orienteering, and night hikes under the stars. These experiences provide valuable opportunities for building independence, teamwork, and resilience while connecting with nature and their peers.

The trip begins with a transfer to Al Hamra and then 4x4 minibuses to Jebel Shams Resort where students will settle into camp and participate in group activities, including icebreakers and evening events like outdoor movies and campfires. The journey concludes with a reflection session and a safe return to school, leaving students with lasting memories and strengthened friendships. We look forward to this adventure that truly embodies the spirit of our school's 5Cs.

Date:

8-10 December 2026

Location:

Jebel Shams

Approximate Cost:

230omr (This price is approximate price only)

Example Day

0715: Breakfast 0830: Pack and continue with last rotation on activities: Group 1: Rock activities - rock climbing/mini-via ferrata Group 2: Orienteering 1200: Lunch at the resort Rotation on activities: Group 1: Orienteering Group 2: Rock activities: rock climbing/mini-via ferrata 1830: Dinner followed by an evening activity: camp fire	Accommodation will be in waterproof pop-up tents shared by three students, set up within the Jebel Shams Resort. Mattresses are provided, but students should bring their own sleeping bag and pillow. All meals will be served buffet-style at the resort's restaurant, with options to suit most dietary needs. Students will have access to private bathroom facilities at the resort. The site is secure, with a perimeter fence and on-site security, and GET staff will be present throughout the trip
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Ski Trip - Grade 5 and above

Students embarking on our school ski trip to Kaprun, Austria, can anticipate an exhilarating and enriching experience. Catering to all skill levels—from beginners to advanced skiers . The resort is renowned for its family-friendly atmosphere and boasts attractions such as toboggan run and ice skating. Students will benefit from expert instruction, engaging in structured lessons that may include skiing, snowboarding, and even telemark skiing . Beyond the slopes, the resort offers a variety of activities, including snowshoeing, ice skating, and exploring the Funslope—a playful course featuring bumps, jumps, and tunnels designed to enhance freestyle skills . Accommodation is conveniently located, ensuring easy access to the slopes, and students will have opportunities to unwind in communal spaces such as games rooms.

Date:	Location:	Approximate Cost:
24-10 January 2027	Austria	1500omr (This price is approximate price only)

Example Day

An early start for ski school The group will divide into ability groups and taken with an instructor to slopes of their capability. Lunch – Students will meet for lunch before heading out for afternoon activities including slalom races for those that can! Return to your guest house to freshen up and have dinner. Before enjoying fun and games in the evening with staff.	The sign up for this trip is already well underway. If you are yet to enquire please do so as soon as possible, as this trip has limited places.
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India - Humanities Trip Grades 9-12

Explore Mumbai and the Alibag coast through real fieldwork. Experience India's landscapes, culture, businesses and changing communities. Build confidence, independence and memories with other senior students. Gain distinctive evidence for university applications and interviews.

Investigate how coastal processes, urban growth and human activity shape Alibag and Mumbai. Connect physical and human geography by judging how development affects people and sustainability. Read buildings and landscapes as evidence of colonialism, independence and modernisation. Understand how the past continues to shape identity, society and economic change.

Date:

January 2027

Location:

Mumbai

Approximate Cost:

4000mr (This price is approximate price only)

Example Day

Day 1: Muscat to Alibag

- 05:15 Oman Air flight WY201 from Muscat
- 09:25 arrival in Mumbai and airport pickup
- Coach to the ferry port, then cross Mumbai Harbour to Mandwa
- Geography observation exercise during the ferry crossing
- Travel to Alibag, check in and complete a walking orientation

Exact dates for this trip will be shared in the coming weeks.



Valencia - Sport and Music Tour

Cheltenham Muscat is proud to announce an exciting new chapter in our international enrichment programme with our first joint Music and Sports Venture to Valencia, Spain. This unique trip will bring students together through sport, music, teamwork and cultural exchange, providing an opportunity to learn, compete and create lasting memories beyond the classroom. During their visit, students will stay in residential-style accommodation, taking part in team-building and outdoor education activities designed to develop confidence, independence, leadership and collaboration. As part of the sporting programme, students will represent Cheltenham Muscat in football and netball competitions, developing teamwork, sportsmanship and resilience through friendly international competition.

Date:

10-17 June 2027

Location:

Valencia, Spain

Approximate Cost:

700omr (This price is approximate price only)

Example Day

Day 2: Valencia Wake up 7:30am and have breakfast in the accommodation 8:30am – travel by coach to the Museu de les Ciències Príncipe Felipe. 12:00pm lunch in Valencia 2:00pm – Back to the camp for team building and activities. Invitation to linked school to attend and join in with the activities.	Exact dates for this trip will be shared in the coming weeks.
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