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Dear Parent/Carer

German Exchange 2027

I am delighted to confirm your child's participation in the 2027 German Exchange with Camerloher Gymnasium in Freising.

The dates for the two legs of the trip are as follows:

Incoming exchange students to Backwell School:

Friday 9 to Friday 16 April 2027
(note: inset day is Monday 12 April)

Outgoing visit to Freising, Germany:

Sunday 11 to Sunday 18 July

*Please note that we have changed the dates of the outgoing trip as the flight costs for the initial dates increased dramatically. The alternative dates mean that the flight costs are more reasonable and we can still have the convenience of departing from Bristol Airport.

The cost of the trip is not expected to exceed **£555** based on current quotes, but this may change depending on the flight fees at the time of booking and the number of students taking part. We are requesting large deposit payments as we will need to pay for flights before the half term break to be able to secure the lowest possible prices. If this causes difficulties for any families, please contact the finance department on finance@backwellschool.net to discuss breaking this down into more instalments.

Based on current costings, the payment plan is expected to be as per below. The costs to secure the flights are non-refundable. We will load the deposit payments on ParentPay initially, and once costs are finalised we will make the final balance live at a later date.

Date	**Total Amount = £555**
21 October 2026	£300 - Non-refundable deposit
21 November 2026	£150 - Non-refundable deposit
21 January 2027	£105 - Balancing payment

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We will be in touch in the coming weeks with finalised details of the payment plan, parent information evenings, documents to provide to the school and the DBS checks needed for hosting a student.

Students will receive their matching form next week. Please can the form be returned to the Languages office by **Friday 23 October**.

If you have any further queries, please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Alabiso
German Subject Leader