# Hunter Valley Grammar School
## European Study Tour
### Turkey, Italy & UK – April 2016
Proposed tour itinerary – Printed 14 November 2014

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<th>Wednesday 06 April 2016: (Day 1) Sydney - Dubai - Istanbul</th>
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### Saturday 09 April 2016: (Day 4) Istanbul – Gallipoli Peninsula

Morning departure for the drive to Gallipoli Peninsula.

Lunch at a local restaurant.

**PM:** Afternoon guided tour of the archaeological city of Troy

**Accommodation:** 3.5 star well located hotel

**Meals:** Breakfast & lunch

### Sunday 10 April 2016: (Day 5) Gallipoli Peninsula

Full day guided tour of significant Australian Battlefield sites by Military History Specialist may include:

- Anzac Cove & commemorative site
- Lone Pine
- Johnston’s Jolly
- Quinn’s Post
- The Nek
- The Gallipoli Museum & Simulation Centre for the “Legends of Gallipoli” presentation

**Accommodation:** 3.5 star well located hotel

**Meals:** Breakfast & lunch (packed)

### Monday 11 April 2016: (Day 6) Canakkale - Istanbul

**AM:** Travel by private coach from Canakkale / Gallipoli Peninsula to Istanbul.

**PM:** Afternoon guided visit to the Spice Market & Bosphorus River cruise

**Accommodation:** 3.5 star well located hotel

**Meals:** Breakfast
Tuesday 12 April 2016: (Day 7)  Istanbul - Sorrento

**AM:** Coach transfer to the airport to check in for flight to Naples
(subject to 2016 timetable – may be into Rome with coach transfer to Sorrento)

**PM:**
- Arrive Naples
- Meet & greet on arrival
- Private coach transfer from Naples Airport to Sorrento
- Enjoy a delicious Gelato demonstration & workshop

**Accommodation:** Villa Maria Hotel or similar  
**Meals:** Breakfast

Wednesday 13 April 2016: (Day 8)  Pompeii – Herculaneum – Mt Vesuvius

Full day of guided sightseeing that may include:
- Pompeii
- Herculaneum
- Climb up to Mt Vesuvius (time & weather permitting)

**Accommodation:** Villa Maria Hotel or similar  
**Meals:** Breakfast

Thursday 14 April 2016: (Day 9)  Sorrento – Isle of Capri

Full day of guided sightseeing that may include:
- Isle of Capri including funicular ride to Capri’s centre
- Augustus’ Gardens
- Blue Grotto
- Free time to explore

**Accommodation:** Villa Maria Hotel or similar  
**Meals:** Breakfast
### Friday 15 April 2016: (Day 10) Sorrento - Rome

**AM:** Transfer from hotel to Naples Train Station for journey for 2 hour journey to Rome*

**AM:** Meet and greet on arrival and half day guided tour that may include:
- Vatican Museums
- Sistine Chapel
- Necropolis of the Via Triumphalis excavations
- St Peters Basilica & cupola

**Accommodation:** Hotel Mariano or similar

**Meals:** Breakfast

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### Saturday 16 April 2016: (Day 11) Rome

Guided touring of Rome that may include visits to:
- Pantheon
- Piazza Navona
- Spanish Steps
- Trevi Fountain
- Colosseum
- Roman Forum
- Palantine Hill

Highlight Dinner at a local restaurant with traditional live music

**Accommodation:** Hotel Mariano or similar

**Meals:** Breakfast & dinner

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### Sunday 17 April 2016: (Day 12) Rome – Florence Region

**AM:** Private coach transfer to Florence, with a stop en-route to visit Pisa

**PM:** Afternoon visit to the Accademia Gallery, home to Michelangelo's "David"

Dinner at a local restaurant with traditional live music

**Accommodation:** Agriturismo Le Mandrie de Ripalta or similar

**Meals:** Breakfast & dinner
### Monday 18 April 2016: (Day 13) Florence Region

Morning guided tour of Florence that may include:
- Walking tour taking in Piazza del Duomo & Medieval Quarters
- Piazza Signoria
- Ponte Vecchio
- Medici Chapel (including entrance)
- Basilica di San Lorenzo

Afternoon cooking class creating traditional Tuscan dishes. Your scrumptious creation is your dinner tonight!

**Accommodation:** Agriturismo Le Mandrie de Ripalta or similar

**Meals:** Breakfast & dinner

### Tuesday 19 April 2016: (Day 14) Tuscany – Venice Mestre

**AM:** Transfer to Florence train station for your train to Venice (Mestre)

**PM:** Afternoon guided walking tour of Venice that may include:
- St Mark’s Square
- Doge’s Palace (including entrance)
- Bridge of Sighs
- Rialto Bridge
- Gondola Ride

**Accommodation:** Hotel Roberta or similar

**Meals:** Breakfast

### Wednesday 20 April 2016: (Day 15) Venice - London

**AM:** Transfer to Venice Airport. Join flight to London

**PM:** Meet & greet at the airport by Tour Manager. Panoramic tour of some of London’s main sights (time permitting)

**Accommodation:** London Lodge Hotel or similar

**Meals:** Breakfast
### Thursday 21 April 2016: (Day 16) London

Full day of guided touring in London (using London Travel Card) that may include:

- Houses of Parliament & Big Ben
- Buckingham Palace
- Hyde Park
- Piccadilly Square
- London Bridge
- Tower of London & Crown Jewels

**EVENING:** *West End Theatre show*

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### Friday 22 April 2016: (Day 17) London

Guided touring in London (using London Travel Card) that may include:

**AM:** Morning visit of the Globe Theatre.

**PM:** Afternoon at leisure for own arrangements.

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### Saturday 23 April 2016: (Day 18) Depart London

**AM:** Transfer by private coach to London Heathrow Airport

**PM:** Flight departs London for Sydney (via Dubai)

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### Sunday 24 April 2016: (Day 19) Sydney

**PM:** Flight to arrive Sydney (subject to 2016 timetable. Alternatively, may arrive early morning on Monday 25th April 2016)

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Welcome Home!