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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Paris trip July 2025

I am delighted to inform you that a provisional booking has been made for our longstanding and exciting Year 8 cultural and language visit to Paris, France, in activities week from Monday 14th July to Friday 18th July 2025. We will once again be staying at the extremely popular PGL centre, La Grande Romaine in the surrounding countryside just outside Paris. The trip will be run in conjunction with PGL School Tours. PGL is a first-class operator with an excellent reputation for organising school trips. They have over 60 years of experience in the school travel business. This trip is open to year 8 students of French.

We will depart school on Monday 14th July 2025 by coach and travel by Ferry, Calais to Dover. We will remain with our coach and driver throughout the trip and return via coach and Ferry on Friday 18th July 2025.

Cost

The cost of the trip has been carefully calculated at **£836 per pupil**. ** *This includes discount based on 40 pupils***. Payments can be made in several instalments and dates of this will be communicated in due course.

The trip is excellent value and the cost includes:

- 1. Return travel from school. All coaches are fitted with seat belts.
- 2. Executive coach.
- 3. Full board accommodation. (only snack money needed)
- 4. A full programme of activities.
- 5. All entrance fees to places of interest.
- 6. Full comprehensive insurance.

Some of the excursions we are planning to do are:

- A full exciting day / evening exploring the imperial centre of Paris, (as much as we can fit in). The Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame and the Latin Quarter, The Tuileries Gardens and the Louvre, the Champs Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe.
- A morning visit to the Cité des Sciences
- An afternoon in the fantastic area of Montmartre and the Sacré Coeur.
- A full day at the popular French theme park, Parc Astérix.

The only additional cost will be spending money, including some food needed on the outward and return journey

We wish to make it clear that if the visit takes place, no student will be denied participation on the grounds that no contribution has been made on their behalf. However, please be aware, if insufficient contributions are made, we will be unable to proceed with the trip. Full details about Pupil Premium and/or Bursary support for trips can be found on our website <u>here</u>.

Application process

Please discuss this with your child and if you wish them to take part in this trip, please can you complete an Expression of Interest Form using this <u>link</u>. Once numbers are confirmed, we will email to request you to complete the Trip Form and to pay any deposit/full payment via ParentPay.

Deadline for completion of your Expression of Interest Form is by 9am on Tuesday 24th September 2024.

We will then request the deposit payment be paid by Friday 27th September in order to fully confirm your child's place.

Our apologies for the short turn around but this allows us to offer the trip at a much discounted price.

Additional information

Please read our new terms and conditions sheet attached which contains **<u>important information</u>** regarding medical, passports, EHIC/GHIC requirements and Covid compliance etc.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully

F Blakeley MFL Department