

7th October 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 French Trip to Château de Warsy/Paris – July 2020

I am pleased to announce that we are able to offer Year 10 students of French the opportunity to go to Northern France and Paris from Monday 13th July until Thursday 16th July 2020. The trip is being run in conjunction with the travel company Manor Adventure; a travel company used by the school to run the Battlefields trip.

Students will be staying in Warsy, a small hamlet, two hours from Calais, in accommodation designed specifically for school groups. The Blue School will have sole use of La Grange accommodation, a newly refurbished barn, in which they will sleep in en-suite rooms.

The trip has been designed to give the students a variety of experiences. In addition to the requirement to speak French in all venues and situations, undertake work in French, the students will participate in a variety of educational trips with tours and explanations in French. The planned itinerary will involve the activities listed below and additional visits are currently being finalised with the travel company.

- A visit to a goat farm to learn about goat's cheese production.
- A visit to a bakery
- A visit to a snail farm
- A visit to Amiens – town, cathedral and market.
- Paris – A visit to Le Stade de France
- Paris - A cruise on a Bateau Mouche along the river Seine
- Paris - A visit to the Musée D'Orsay

Travel will be by ferry and executive coach crossing from Dover to Calais departing early in the morning from The Blue School on Monday 13th July and returning in the evening on Thursday 16th July.

The cost of the trip is **£485.00** based on 24 students participating and this includes accommodation, transport, insurance, all meals and all entrance fees. Students will need to bring spending money and a packed breakfast/lunch for the first day as well as some money to purchase a meal on the return journey. If more than 24 students choose to go on the trip then the cost will reduce and this will be reflected in a reduction in the later instalments.

I hope that your child is keen to participate in the trip and for those who are, there will be a meeting in the summer term to discuss the programme and to answer any questions that you may have. I will include personal information forms and medical forms for you in the next letter.

If your child would like to participate in the trip I would be grateful if you would now return your tear-off slip and **deposit of £100.00** to the Finance Office (open daily at break only) as soon as possible and by Friday 1st November. Please pay the deposit by cheque as the trip requires a minimum number of students to run. The cheque will be returned to you if minimum numbers are not met. Cheques should be made payable to The Blue School with the student's name and tutor group on the back of the cheque.

2nd instalment of £100 by Friday 6th December

3rd instalment of £140 payable by Friday 7th February

Final balance of £145 (or lower once numbers are confirmed) by Friday 27th March

These instalments can be made by SCOPAY (Tucasi Online Payments).

It is not too early to ensure that your child has a valid individual passport and an EHIC (European Health Insurance Card – this can be ordered on line). If your child already has a passport we will require a photocopy or if they do not have a passport yet we will require their personal details (exactly as they would appear on a passport) completed on the attached form.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or ask your child to talk to me about anything else on which you require clarification in the meantime.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Sally Pickett
Languages teacher

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Student Name..... Tutor Group.....

- I enclose deposit of **£100** (cheques payable to The Blue School)

As parent of the above pupil I have read, fully understood and am satisfied with details supplied about the above mentioned activities and agree to my daughter/son taking part in it. I know of no medical reason why s/he should not participate.

- The school has Activities Insurance for pupils for all trips and activities on and off the school site. Details of the key benefits are available from the Finance Office.
- Parents should consider taking out additional insurance cover for their child if they require benefits above those provided by the school.
- The Local Authority only provides cover at the School against proven or agreed negligence by the Authority and its employees.

Signature of Parent/Carer **Date**