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Friday 15 September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 French Trips 2024

We are delighted to be able to launch the 2024 French trips, offering 130 (split across 2 trips) of our Year 7 students the opportunity to spend a short time in and around Le Touquet in northern France.

The dates for the summer trip to Northern France will be:

Trip 1 – Monday 1 July to Wednesday 3 July 2024 Forms: 7CVM, 7ADJ, 7JWB, 7LED, 7WXE

Trip 2 – Monday 15 July to Wednesday 17 July 2024 Forms: 7TXW, 7ZEV, 7CEL, 7LVN, 7CLF

We will leave school very early on Day 1 (timings to be confirmed in due course) to arrive in France late in the afternoon. During the trip, we will visit a boulangerie, a biscuiterie, snail farm, Le Touquet beach and try to squeeze in some shopping at a French hypermarket. We will have two nights in the hotel and arrive back at HGS late on Day 3.

The aim of this trip is to give our students a fun and positive first experience of foreign adventure, within a safely structured school-trip environment. We also hope that they can try out a little of the classroom language that they have learnt, perhaps inspiring them for further foreign visits such as one of our exchanges when they reach KS4.

Expression of Interest

If your child would like to take part in this trip, please complete an expression of interest form by clicking [here](#) by **9am on Thursday 21 September 2023**.

In the likely event the trip is oversubscribed, places will be allocated on a random basis. Parents/Carers will be notified if their child has secured a place by Wednesday 27 September 2023. If unsuccessful at this stage, your child will be added to a reserve list.

Students will require a current passport, in date until at least 18 October 2024, along with a GHIC (Global Health Insurance Card). If your child requires a GHIC, they can be obtained free of charge from the NHS Website by clicking [here](#). If your child does not hold a British passport, you will need to check if any other documentation is required for entry to France.

Cost of the trip

The total cost for the trip will be £380, which includes return travel, insurance, accommodation, all meals and excursions.

We do understand that the cost may be prohibitive for some families and we would not wish to preclude any students from taking part on this basis. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact hgsfinance@hgs.rklt.co.uk

Payment Schedule

Once you have been notified that your child has secured a place on this trip, please **pay via Arbor**. A guide for this new payment system can be accessed [here](#).

- Initial deposit of £100 due by Tuesday 31 October 2023
- Second instalment of £100 due by Thursday 30 November 2023
- Final instalment of £180 due by Sunday 31 March 2024

You may pay in smaller instalments or one lump sum through our new online payment system, however, please ensure that these are received in line with the set payment deadlines.

Next Steps

- Please complete the expression of interest form by clicking [here](#) by 9am on Thursday 21 September 2023.
- You will be contacted by Wednesday 27 September to confirm whether your child has been offered a place.
- If successful, please pay the £100 deposit by Tuesday 31 October 2023 to secure your child's place.
- Ensure your contact details and your child's medical details are up to date, emailing any changes to HGSgateway@hgs.rkt.co.uk

We are very much looking forward to this trip.

Yours sincerely



Miss R Page
Trip Leader