

February 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

We are now in a position to be able to give you our final details for our visit to Paris.

### **Travel to Paris 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020**

You must arrive at school at 7.15am. **The coach will depart at 7.30am.** Your child's luggage should clearly display their name. Please park in the staff car park and **NOT** in the coach bays. Students should check in with their group leader.

Care should be taken not to pack anything in this bag which will be needed before our arrival in Paris such as passport, pocket money or medication.

Children should also have their hand luggage containing everything they will need during the journey.

Please do not telephone into school to check on our arrival in Paris. This will be posted on the school website.

### **Food for the journey**

Your child will need a packed lunch and other snacks. There may be an opportunity to buy food at the Eurotunnel Terminal but this should not be relied upon. Please do not send your child with any fizzy drinks or cans. Students will only be allowed to drink water and eat sweets on the coach. We will stop at a service station to have lunch. No chewing gum at any time during the trip.

### **Pocket Money**

Pocket money should not exceed 40 euros, but a small amount of English money may be useful. Pocket money should be in your child's hand luggage as it will be collected by their group leader on the coach after we leave school. The money should be in a money bag or envelope clearly marked with your child's name. Please allocate Euros per day in separate envelopes with your child's name on the front of each envelope.

### **Medication**

Medication, including sickness tablets, should also be clearly labelled with your child's name and exact instructions as to when and how it is to be administered. Students should hand in their medication to their group leader once they are on the coach with the exception of inhalers or epi-pens which students are responsible for and should carry at all times.

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All students should have handed in a copy of their EHIC cards. Should a student need medical treatment these cards must be presented at the time in order to benefit from the reciprocal agreement between EU countries. Parents/guardians will be required to cover any costs incurred if students do not have their EHIC with them.

### **Travel Sickness Tablets**

If you know or suspect that your child may suffer from travel sickness please provide them with enough suitable medication. We are on the coach for several long journeys and your child could be uncomfortable if you not take adequate precautions.

### **Emergency Contact**

During school hours, the best way to contact us is by phoning school on 01293 785363. Please can parents ensure that they have updated the school with any changes to their mobile telephone numbers.

### **Mobile Phones**

Mobile phones will be allowed with certain conditions. Please note that the school will not be accountable for lost or damaged phones, it is advisable to take out insurance before the trip. Pupils will not be allowed to text or ring home during the trip other than to advise parents of our arrival in Paris on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and our arrival in the UK on the 6<sup>th</sup>. Parents will be given a 30 minute warning of our arrival back to school on the 6<sup>th</sup>. If your child goes against these simple rules then his or her phone will be confiscated. If a child needs to phone home during the trip then this will be done under the supervision of his or her group leader.

### **Arrival home 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

PGL have informed us that we will be back to school at about 5.00pm. If there is going to be difference of more than 30 minutes we will let you know via a text message. Please ensure that all contact details on our school system are correct and up to date.

### **Additional Information**

Your child will be provided with a booklet of information about our visit.

Small groups are for administrative purposes only and do not affect accommodation groupings.

Room allocation will not be made before we leave, but the children will be asked to nominate who they would like to share with.

Please find a kit list, itinerary and a behaviour information sheet attached.

Yours faithfully

*Mrs. Hazel Stanton*

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Head of MFL