



16 October 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian,

A Level Visit to Paris, France

I am writing to inform you that the English Department are planning a 4-day A-Level visit to Paris. We will travel by coach to visit a number of historical and tourist attractions and have three nights' accommodation.

Primarily, this visit is aimed at those studying A-Level Language and Literature, as the main purpose is to visit the sites referenced in their AQA non-fiction anthologies to help build students' contextual awareness of Parisian and French culture, as assessed in their final examination. A-Level Literature students will join us to develop their literary awareness whilst A-Level French students will join us to immerse themselves in French culture and language. Students will also benefit from experiencing the culture of another country. As well as visiting important historical sites, students will be given short periods of unsupervised time to explore the historic city centre of Paris.

Currently, we are hoping to leave early on Thursday 6 February 2020 and return late on Sunday 9 February 2020. However, these dates and times are subject to change depending on the availability of our Tour Company, coaches and hotels.

At present, I cannot be precise about the final amount that this visit will cost because it depends on the number of passengers. We are travelling with Galina International Study Tours; the price is based on 30 students and will be approximately £400.00, although this price could alter slightly based on final numbers.

To secure a booking, we require a non-refundable £100 deposit, paid by Friday 8 November. Shortly after this point we will confirm the total cost and organise the balance to be paid in two additional instalments, likely to be £150 each, at the start of December 2019 and January 2020.

If you would like your child to attend this visit, please complete the attached form and return it to main reception with the £100 deposit by Friday 8 November. We will then create a final list of students who would like to attend the visit. In the case of oversubscription, places will be allocated by ballot. Once final details of the visit have been confirmed, we will let all students who have successfully received a place know the exact dates and cost.

At this stage, we are expecting students to have their own passports and an EHIC card to take with them on the trip. We are aware that this situation may change, depending on the outcome of Brexit. If your child does not have an EHIC card, please apply for one by logging



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onto the website www.ehic.org.uk. Non-British nationals, before paying the deposit, should enquire of the French, Belgian, German and Dutch Consulates in London as to whether visas are required and obtain those relevant before the visit.

Please note that if your child should withdraw from the visit it may not be possible to receive a refund and you may be expected to pay for the trip in full. We expect all students will be keen to work towards a successful and beneficial visit but the school does reserve the right not to take any student whose behaviour/attitude in school leading up to the visit has given cause for concern.

Should you require further information, please contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

Lisa Steele
English Department

Please hand in slip and deposit to main reception by Friday 8 November

A-Level Trip to Paris, France 6-9 February 2020

Name of student: _____ Form: _____

Please reserve a place for my son/daughter on the above visit.

I have paid a non-refundable deposit of £100.00 now, then will pay the balance in instalments as detailed above. I understand that the final cost of the visit may be slightly more than £400.00.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Guardian)



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