

November 2021

KS4&5 MFL Trip to Paris

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Modern Foreign Languages Department is organising a fantastic educational visit to Paris from **Saturday 16th to Monday 18th April 2022**. The trip will provide students with the opportunity to use their language skills and to experience French life and culture first hand. This will be an especially useful opportunity to improve their linguistic skills prior to the summer exams. In addition to the linguistic and cultural benefits, students will visit historic monuments and authentic works of art. For all year groups, the trip will be of great academic value, both in terms of the GCSE syllabus and wider cultural awareness. The trip is open to pupils currently in Years 10-13 who study French. There are 35 places available on the visit and these will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

We would like to stress the importance of excellent behaviour and conduct whilst on a school trip and point out that only pupils with such a record of behaviour and consistent effort in class and homework will be considered as suitable for taking on a trip abroad. This is because at all times pupils should be aware of the health and safety issues involved in a venture abroad.

Brief details of the trip are outlined below and the cost of the trip includes all excursions, breakfast and dinner, accommodation, travel and insurance. Pupils need only bring enough money for drinks, lunch, personal expenditure and provision for the outward and return journeys.

The trip price includes:

- Basic half board accommodation in a hotel, including breakfast and dinner
- Return travel by coach
- Travel around the city by coach
- Group Insurance
- Ascent of the Montparnasse Tower
- Seine cruise
- Visits to several prestigious art galleries, including the Louvre
- Visit to Montmartre

The cost of the trip in total will be **£320 per student**, split over the year ahead.

The following needs to be done by **Friday 26th November** to secure a place:

- **Pay the initial deposit of £50 via parent pay (this will be live from Monday 22nd)**
- **Return the reply slip with a photocopy of your child's passport. Alternatively, a photo of the child's passport can be emailed to b.sampson@kaa.org.uk**

Students need to have their own passports. If the passport is not EU, this is not a problem, but we need to know in advance.

The trip is in April and therefore installments will be paid over the next 3 months:

- 2/12/2021 - £100
- 2/01/2022 - £100
- 2/02/2022 - £70

May we also draw your attention to the commitment you give to the school when sending your child on a school trip and once your deposit has been paid you will be responsible for paying the full amount of the trip unless a suitable student can be found to replace your child in the event that your child is unable to go.

Please note that under current COVID rules to enter France children over the age of 12 will need a PCR test taken within 24 hours of departure via an approved private test provider (NHS tests are not accepted for overseas travel). If this rule is still in place in April 2022, it is your responsibility to supply the appropriate documentation. Please also consider the potential cost of the PCR test when booking this trip, as it is not included in the cost of the trip and parents/guardians will need to pay for this themselves.

I will write to you again with further visit details and an evening meeting will be arranged closer to the departure date at which you will be able to find out more about the trip. Thank you for your attention and interest and we look forward to hearing from you!

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Sampson
Teacher of MFL



REPLY SLIP

Please sign and return in an envelope with your child's name and form on the front

Reply slip (to be returned Mr Sampson)

I wish my child to take part in the trip to Paris in France from **Saturday 16th to Monday 18th April.**

Pupil's name (**FULL NAME IN BLOCK CAPITALS AS STATED ON PASSPORT**):

_____ Form: _____

Does your child have a **valid British** or **EU** passport?

Tick: YES _____ NO _____ (please state nationality on passport)

CHECKLIST

I enclose:

- this sheet to confirm name of student and form
- photocopy of your child's passport

Does your child have any medical needs or allergies of which we should be aware?

Yes/No If yes, please give details:

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Contact number in case of emergency:

I have read the letter carefully and am fully aware that I will be responsible for paying the full amount of the trip cost in the event that my child is unable to take part in the trip **UNLESS** a suitable student can be found.

Signed _____ (parent)

