

10<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Parent / Guardian

## Residential Trip to Paris July 2025

We are delighted to be able to offer the opportunity for our current Years 7, 8 & 9 to visit Paris for a five day/four-night residential trip. The trip will depart on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and return on Friday 11th July 2025 (dates are subject to confirmation and could change by a couple of days).

The cost per child will be approximately £900.00. This includes ferry or Eurotunnel crossing, insurance, use of an executive coach and 4 night's full board accommodation (the first meal will be the evening meal on the Monday and the last meal provided will be a packed lunch on the return journey).

Daytime excursions/activities will include:-

- Market visit
- Sacre Coeur and Montmartre or Chateau de Fontainbleau
- Full day at Disneyland Paris or Parc Asterix
- Eiffel Tower
- Bateaux Parisiens
- Explore Paris
- En-route hypermarket visit

We will be going with the tour company PGL. We will be staying in <u>Château de Grande Romaine</u> in Lésigny, which is situated 20 miles outside of Paris. It is a beautiful castle, with lots of great facilities to keep the pupils entertained in the evenings. Below is a link, so that you can see the accommodation for yourselves.

http://www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/school-trips/secondary-schools/centres/chateau-de-grande-romaine

We fully appreciate that trips are expensive and are very aware of the pressures on household budgets. In light of this we will set up a monthly payment plan, the trip can however be paid in full if this is the preferred option for you.

We are anticipating this to be a popular trip therefore to secure a place a quick response may be required. Should the trip attract more than 40 pupils then a waitlist will be put into place on a first come first served basis.















Please be aware that should your child withdraw from the trip at any stage before departure, that according to the tour company policy you will lose part of your payment. The only exception to this will be on certain medical grounds, and any such claim MUST be supported by a doctor's letter. Behaviour will be constantly monitored prior to the trip and as always, poor behaviour may result in a pupil's removal from the trip. This will render payments already made non- refundable as per the tour company cancellation schedule. An exclusion from school will result in automatic removal from the trip and again, payments already made will be non-refundable.

It is parent's responsibility to ensure their child has a valid passport and EHIC card, and any other necessary travel documents, ie: Visas, Residence documents if not a UK national, etc. Please ensure you apply for any documents needed well in advance to avoid delays and disappointments. We cannot allow a pupil to travel without all necessary documents. Lack of necessary documents at time of travel will render the trip non refundable

If you would like your child to take part in this trip, please email their name and tutor group to Mrs Williams at williamst@lydiardparkacademy.org.uk by 14<sup>th</sup> May 2024. Parents of those who are successful in gaining a place on this trip will be notified shortly after.

If you have any questions, please email me at vizorl@lydiardparkacademy.org.uk

Yours faithfully

Mrs L Vizor Head of MFL / Trip Leader











