



September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 8 Paris Trip

I am writing to tell you about a trip to Paris available to students of French currently in Year 8. This is a fantastic opportunity for them to experience the sights, smells and sounds of arguably the most famous capital city in the world and to practise their reading, listening and speaking skills in French. It will be a four-day trip from **Friday 21st June - to Monday 24th June 2024**. We will leave early on the Friday morning and travel by coach, returning to Hazelwick School on Monday evening. The cost of this four-day trip will be in the region of £500-£520 and the final cost will be determined once final numbers of students are known. The cost includes:

- **all travel**
- **half-board hotel accommodation, 3 evening meals and lunches**
- **visit to the Louvre museum**
- **visit to the Arc de Triomphe**
- **a boat trip on the river Seine**
- **a whole day at Parc Astérix, one of France's most popular theme parks. It is based on the adventures of the popular cartoon character, Astérix the Gaul and it takes visitors on a humorous journey through Gaul to the 21st century.**

Places on the visit are limited to 45 and this trip is only open to students currently studying French in Year 8 who demonstrate good behaviour in lessons. Places will be limited to 45 and in the event of the trip being oversubscribed names will be drawn from a hat. Please complete the attached reply slip and return it to Mrs R Jones in the office behind the main school reception no later than **Monday 18th September 2023**.

Should your child get a place on the trip, then a deposit of £100 must be paid using the school payments system ([WisePay](#)) by **Monday 25th September 2023**. I must point out that this deposit is non-returnable. Should your child not get a place, their name will be put on a reserve list in case anyone drops out.

Please be aware that as this trip is not required as an essential part of the KS3 French course, there is only financial help available to cover the cost of accommodation and meals for those who are eligible.

Your son/daughter will need to be in possession of a valid UK or EU passport or any required visa for entry into France for those who do not hold the above passport. The cost of any necessary visa is not included in the cost of the trip.

The trip will be arranged through Equity Travel, which is a well-established school travel firm. As a member of the Association of British Travel Agents (ABTA), it is fully financially bonded and subject to the ABTA Code of Conduct. A copy of the insurance policy will be available for your perusal.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me (shay@hazelwick.org.uk).

Yours faithfully,

Mrs S. Hay
Head of French

**Please return to Ms R Jones, Trips Coordinator, School Reception by Monday
18th September 2023**

I hereby give permission for my son/daughter of Form 8..... to participate in the
Year 8 Paris Trip from Friday 21st June - Monday 24th June 2024.

Name of student:

Form:

Signature of parent/carer:

Date: