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October 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Year 7 French Trip to le pré Catelan, near Calais – 15th – 18th June 2018

I am proposing to take a group of 44 current Year 7 students on a trip to le Pré Catelan in France in June 2018. The purpose is to improve pupils' knowledge and use of the French language in a variety of real situations in France to broaden their cultural horizons and to foster a love of France. The proposed trip details are as follows (these may be subject to change).

| Day 1 | Friday 15 June. Departure from Holt School by executive coach. Ferry crossing with the coach and travel to Nausicaa, the famous Sealife Centre in Boulogne, then onward travel by coach to le Pré Catelan, one hour approx. from Calais. Following arrival at the centre at 16.30, and dinner at 18.00 there will be a PGL organized evening activity. |
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| Day 2 | Saturday 16 June. The morning will be spent attending the French Language Detective session 'Préparez à manger' followed by a visit to Le Touquet market, accompanied by Holt staff and PGL representatives. The afternoon will be spent completing an on-site PGL center activity e.g. Campcraft or Challenge course. |
| Day 3 | Sunday 17 June. The morning will be spent completing an on-site PGL centre activity e.g. Campcraft or Challenge course followed in the afternoon by a visit to the local village Hardelot to complete the Town Trail. The evening will be busy with a disco at the PGL centre. |
| Day 4 | Monday 18 June. Departure by executive coach for The Holt School. Stop on the coast for shopping and sightseeing. Arrival at The Holt School in the evening (exact time will be confirmed before departure) |

The trip will cost £410 per student which includes all travel arrangements, excursions, insurance and full board at the PGL centre, le Pré Catelan in Hardelot, near Calais and the instalment payment dates are as follows:

- Deposit of £100 by *Friday 20th October 2017* at the latest. If the trip is over subscribed a ballot will be held as soon as possible after this date to allocate places and a waiting list opened. If your daughter is not successful your deposit will be returned to you. If your daughter is allocated a place and subsequently withdraws, the deposit will be non-refundable to cover administration costs, and the remaining monies paid will only be refunded to you if we are able to replace her with someone from the waiting list, as the cost is based on a certain number of students attending.
- Second payment of £100 by 15th November 2017
- Third payment of £100 by 15th January 2018
- Balance of £110 by 15th March 2018

If you would like your daughter to go on this trip, then please *pay the deposit of £100 and fill in the online consent survey (link is in WisePay)* by *Friday 13th October.* Payment and consent for the trip needs to be made by WisePay; simply login to your WisePay account details. If you need a reminder of your WisePay login please e-mail j.gale@holt.wokingham.sch.uk. In the event of difficulties using this system, please telephone Mrs Simmons, the School Finance Manager.



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Attendance on the trip is subject to good behaviour in school and lessons prior to the trip. If at any time prior to the trip the party leader has reason to believe that a pupil will not behave in an acceptable manner on the trip she will not be allowed to go.

In case of severe financial hardship please contact Ms Rees Royle, Assistant Headteacher, who may be able to put you in touch with agencies that could help or to discuss the situation.

If you have any questions about the trip, please contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Davis

Head of French department