



Wednesday, 24th May 2017

Dear Parents

**Re: Visit to France 2017**

We are delighted to inform you that our school has recently been invited by the mayor of Val de Reuil, in Normandy, France, to take a group of students there to join in with the town's Bastille Day celebrations on 14<sup>th</sup> July. Our French department has a link with the English department of one of the secondary schools there.

The maximum cost of the trip will be £185, but we have applied to various local charitable groups for financial support; depending on how successful we are, the price will come down accordingly.

We will be leaving school late in the evening of Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> July, travelling by coach and ferry, and should arrive in Val de Reuil by lunchtime on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be an action-packed itinerary; as well as attending the Bastille Day celebrations, which include a garden party, fireworks display and disco, we will spend a day in the picturesque old city of Rouen. We will be staying on a campsite situated in beautiful parklands. We will leave France early on Sunday morning, 16<sup>th</sup> July, and be back at school late that evening.

To apply for a place students will need to bring in a **non-refundable deposit of £50** by **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017**. The balance will be payable by **Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017**. Please complete the tear off slip below and return it to the school office as soon as possible if you would like to book a place for your child.

We are applying for a collective passport, whether or not your child has their own passport. Please will you please complete the attached consent form and return it to school before **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May**? Your child will also need a valid EHIC (European Health Insurance Card). You can apply for this online at [www.nhs.uk/ehic](http://www.nhs.uk/ehic). It is free of charge.

Places on the trip are limited and participation is subject to the approval of the Headteacher. I would like to remind you that poor behaviour or attitudes at school raise concerns as to the appropriateness of any student taking part in a school visit. In such cases Beacon Hill reserves the right to withdraw students from the trip and unfortunately deposits are usually non-refundable; this is in line with our charging policy which is available to view in full on the school website.

This visit offers a fantastic educational and cultural opportunity to our students. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us at school on the number above. We will of course hold a meeting for parents and students taking part once the details have been finalised.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Fitzsimmons and Mrs E Webley

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**Visit to France 2017**

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to attend the visit to France from Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

Parent/guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Office use only)

	£50.00 Deposit Received	Date		Staff Signature	
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