



# THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer

### **MFL PARIS TRIP 2022** **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

The Buckingham School values the benefit that school trips can have on a student's wider cultural understanding. It is for this reason that we are planning a 5-day residential trip for our MFL French GCSE students to Paris, France. The trip will take place during our Enrichment week, departing on morning of Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and returning on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

This trip is designed to support students' learning; enabling them to experience local cultures as well as enhance and supplement their education in terms of their moral, cultural and social development.

The price of the proposed trip is £535 and there are 44 places available. Priority will be given to those students in Years 10 and 11 studying GCSE French, however, if there are any places remaining, we would like to offer these to our Year 9 students. Please be aware that students with a consistently low Attitude to Learning score of 3 or 4 may not be considered.

If you would like your child to go on this trip, please read the attached Parental Agreement and then click on the link at the bottom of the Agreement to complete and submit the Agreement Form. Please submit your response by 5pm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Once all forms are in, if we have more interest than places available, allocation will be made by random selection of unidentifiable entries to ensure fairness.

The cost of the trip will include:

- Return Ferry crossing and Executive Coach travel – Executive Coach supplied for our own personal use over the 5 days
- 4 nights half board (continental breakfast) in 3\* Hotel accommodation in Paris
- Day 1: Evening meal en route at Flunch in Compiègne 2 courses, soft drink included
- Day 2: Packed lunch then evening meal at Monte Carlo restaurant L'Arc de Triomphe 2 courses, soft drink included
- Day 3: Packed lunch then evening meal at the Hardrock Café, Paris
- Day 4: Lunch and evening meal at Disneyland Paris
- Day 5: Packed lunch provided for journey home
- Disneyland tickets with Fastpass to avoid the queues
- Entrance to Tour Montparnasse, amazing views from Paris' tallest skyscraper
- Boat Cruise on the Seine
- Paris 2022 Trip Hoodie
- COVID Insurance

*The Buckingham School is concerned that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence to [finance@buckinghamschool.org](mailto:finance@buckinghamschool.org), if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.*



Other cultural landmarks we will be experiencing are; Versailles, the Louvre, the Eiffel Tower, walking up the Champs Elysées, a stroll around the artistic quarter at Montmartre and the Sacré Coeur. Students will need to bring a packed lunch for the coach and spending money to purchase any snacks and drinks for the duration.

If your child gains a place on this trip, you will be notified by letter and a payment item will then be generated in ParentMail. An initial deposit amount of £100 will need to be paid by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021 in order to secure their place. Your child will also be given a copy of our EV9 Parental Consent Form; please can I ask you complete this and have your child return it to the Internal Post Box (located at the bottom of the stairs in the Jubilee Building), during break or lunch time only, by this same date.

The remaining balance will then need to be paid, also via ParentMail, according to the Payment Schedule set out below. Should you have any issues accessing this site, please email our Finance Team at [finance@buckinghamschool.org](mailto:finance@buckinghamschool.org).

**Payment Schedule – payments due by:**

15 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	£100.00	Deposit to secure place
30 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	£87.00	
31 <sup>st</sup> December 2021	£87.00	
31 <sup>st</sup> January 2021	£87.00	
28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	£87.00	
31 <sup>st</sup> March 2022	£87.00	Final Balance

It is understood that by paying the deposit, all conditions of the booking, as laid out in the attached Parental Agreement Form, are accepted and one such condition is that deposits are non-refundable, under any circumstances, once your child's place on the trip has been confirmed.

There will be a pre-departure Parent Information Evening, which you will be invited to attend, where the finer details of the trip, including the confirmed itinerary, will be discussed. I will also need to collect in passports (which need to remain valid for at least 6 months after the date of travel) and European Health Insurance Cards (if still applicable) at this time. I will write to you in due course once a date for this meeting has been set.

Should you have any questions or concerns, or would like further information regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mrs S Hatton  
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