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Dear Parent/Guardian

Paris 2023 - 31st March to 3rd April

It will not be long before we board the coach on our way to Paris. The only thing we have not booked is the weather. France, at this time of year, is usually just the same as Britain! Here are the final details:

Times:

Depart: Ysgol Aberconwy at **1.00am on Friday 31st March**. Early hours of Friday morning!!!!
Please arrive at approximately 12.45am so that we can leave on time!

Ferry: P & O Ferries: Dover - Calais

Arrive: Paris at 5.30pm

Return: We should arrive back at Ysgol Aberconwy at approximately **midnight on Monday 3rd April**

Please ensure that your child is there **on time** at school. Please be there to collect your child at the appropriate time on the return journey. If we are late, students will be given the opportunity to ring home.

Excursions Itinerary:

Friday 31 March 2023:

Evening Entertainment in Centre

Saturday 01 April 2023:

Morning: Eiffel Tower
Afternoon: Bateaux Parisiens / Champs Elysées
Evening: Entertainment on Centre



Sunday 02 April 2023:

All Day Disneyland Paris - Disneyland Park and Walt Disney Studios Park.
Evening Entertainment on Centre

Clothes: Be prepared for all weathers. A warm coat is a must. Your son/daughter should have sensible shoes (we will be walking *a lot*) and a waterproof.

Luggage: Each student must be able to carry his/her own luggage. One **small** suitcase/holdall and a bag for the coach should be adequate. Luggage labels will be provided.

Medicines: If any student takes medicines or is allergic to anything or has any particular medical needs, please let us know immediately (if you haven't already done so). If you know your child becomes travel sick, then please give him/her/them the appropriate travel sickness pills.

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Customs: Customs regulations are very strict indeed for people returning to Britain. You are reminded that no child under the age of 17 is allowed to bring any alcohol or tobacco through customs, even if a present. Each student will be required to complete a Customs Declaration Form while in France, before our return to Britain. Your child must be prepared to present their individual passports at customs. Please send your child's passport into school during the next few weeks so that we can be sure all students have a passport when we depart. These will be kept in a secure place and given to your child on the bus before we arrive at customs.

Food: Meals are included except for on the outward journey. Students should therefore bring some sort of packed 'lunch/breakfast'. 'Junk' food and fizzy drinks are not a good idea as they often lead to travel sickness. Please ensure your child has enough Euros to purchase drinks and snacks at the hotel and enough British money for the outward and return journeys as we will stop off at service stations throughout our journey. We do NOT recommend exchanging currency on the ferry as they tend to have poor exchange rates. We advise you to purchase your Euros in advance and we suggest they bring a maximum amount of £150 (in pounds and Euros combined).

Shopping: Please remind your child that shopping in France is exactly the same as it is in this country. They should be careful with their money and compare prices. Drinks in France can be expensive, especially in cafés. The accommodation is, in fact, usually the cheapest and there is a sweet/souvenir shop on site. Students under 17 may not purchase alcohol, and students under 16 may not purchase cigarettes or vapes. The fact that some people break this law does not make it legal. Students who do break such laws will have to face legal proceedings and may well be asked to return to Britain on the next available ferry. Their parents would have to meet them on the other side.

EMERGENCY: *Only* in case of emergency please contact:

- a) Miss Janette Hughes - 07815955102
- b) Mr I Gerrard – Headteacher – 07789442349

Our address in France is:

Château de Grande Romaine
Lésigny
77150 France

We stress that these are for **emergency use only**. Do not use them for any other purpose. It can be easily arranged for the students to telephone from France; there is a public phone for use at the accommodation.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at school or email me directly at:

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Yours sincerely,

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