



Queen Mary's Grammar School

Headmaster: T J Swain, M A

3rd November 2017

Dear Parent(s),

RE: Year 8/10 visit to Loire Valley, July 2018

I am writing to offer your son an exciting opportunity to visit the Loire Valley area of France in July next year as part of his study of French. We shall travel by coach and ferry on Monday, 9th July 2018 and return on Thursday 12th, staying for three nights in the Hotel duFuturoscope, near the theme park of the same name which has been created with education in mind. Accommodation will be on a full-board basis. Below is the proposed itinerary:

Day 1: Travel and transfer to accommodation.

Day 2: Full day at Futuroscope.

Day 3: Full day in the Loire Valley: Chateau Chenonceaux, Bigot Patisserie & Chateau Clos.

Day 4: Return journey to UK

The cost of the tour is £493. This includes transport to and from our destination and during our stay, all meals (excluding when travelling on Days 1 and 4), all excursions and insurance. Please note that you are responsible for making sure that your son's passport is up-to-date and that he is in possession of a European Health Insurance Card. You should also be aware that at times during his stay your son will be allowed to spend time unsupervised, such as in the theme park. However, all pupils who choose to participate will be given rules and instructions put in place to ensure their safety as far as possible. Any pupil whose behaviour may pose a risk to either his own or others' safety during the next few months or who is unable to follow instructions or rules laid down by staff will be withdrawn from the trip.

I hope that your son takes advantage of the opportunity to practise his increasing French skills and discover new places. If he would like to take part, I ask that you fill in and return the reply slip below to me and place a deposit of £50 via Parent Pay by **Friday, 24th November**. If you would like your son to participate but cannot pay the full deposit by this time, please telephone me on the school's number to discuss an alternative arrangement. Once all places have been allocated I shall be in touch with a payment plan. I have provisionally booked places for 40 pupils and these will be initially allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. However, if the demand for places is greater I am confident that pupils can be accommodated.

Please note that these arrangements are provisional and are subject to governors' approval.

Yours sincerely,

Mr FJ Monier
Tour Organiser

Mrs J. Franklin
Head of French and Spanish

Please fill in and return to Mr Monier by Friday, 24th November, 2017

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Signed: Date:

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