

April 2022



Dear parent/carer

Visit to Boulogne, France – Year 9

I am writing to inform you about a school visit to Boulogne, France on Wednesday, 20th July 2022. The aim of this visit is for students to have the French experience and opportunity to speak French in real-life situations.

Students will leave the school at 05:00 on Wednesday, 20th July 2022 and travel by coach to and from the Boulogne, returning to school at 21:00. Students will be required to wear school uniform and comfortable shoes for walking. Students will require a packed lunch for this trip.

If your child suffers from asthma or requires an EpiPen, it is your responsibility to ensure that the appropriate medication is provided for this trip.

Please note that there are a limited number of places available and these will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Only students with an exemplary record of behaviour will be eligible. This visit will only take place if we have a sufficient number of students and confirmed payments.

The cost of this trip is £100.00. If you would like your child to participate in this trip, please pay the non-refundable cost of £100.00, before Friday, 13th May 2022.

It is your responsibility as a parent/guardian to ensure that your child has a valid passport, that expires at least 6 months after they return from the trip, but also within 10 years of passport issue date (e.g. where additional months are added to the end of the passport, the additional months are no longer valid).

Parents must also ensure that students have valid EHIC cards for the duration of the trip – if not they will need to apply for the new free GHIC card. Students who hold a non-EU passport will also require a valid Visa

The current COVID requirements state that all children aged 12 or over must either provide proof of vaccination or proof of a negative PCR test result taken within 72 hours or an antigen test result taken within 48 hours pre-departure. For a test, this should be arranged through a private coronavirus testing provider. For proof of vaccination, please refer to this website: <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/france/entry-requirements> .

Please ensure that you are able to meet these requirements before booking on the trip and that all details are provided on ParentPay - no refunds will be given if you are unable to meet these requirements.

This visit will only take place if we have a sufficient number of students and confirmed payments. If the trip is cancelled, payments will be fully refunded. This will also be the case if the trip has to be cancelled close to the departure date for any COVID restrictions in place at that time.

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As the school no longer accepts cash or cheques, parents are asked to use ParentPay to pay for this trip. If you are unable to pay online, please contact the school office, who will provide a barcode letter to enable payment at a PayPoint, which is linked to your ParentPay account. If your child receives free school meals and payment should present a problem, please contact the finance team via email to finance@uhs.org.uk.

By consenting on ParentPay to this trip, you agree to:

- Your child taking part in the visit as detailed above;
- A member of staff giving consent for your child to receive appropriate medical treatment in the event of an emergency.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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MFL - CL / Head of Year 11