

5 December 2024 Secondary - Year 10 Lille France Trip Place



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Dear parent / carer

I am writing to confirm that your child has been **successful** in securing a place on our trip to visit Lille in France, taking place **Friday 5 December 2025 until Sunday 7 December 2025**. Times of departure are yet to be confirmed with the travel company.

We are using NST as our chosen travel company, which is an experienced, well-reputed company that we have used successfully before. They will be providing the activities and itinerary and a company representative is available during our stay. The accommodation in France is owned by NST and as such, only school parties reside there, and we will have no contact with the public whilst at the accommodation. You may find more information <a href="heterogeneering-

We will travel by coach and ferry in the UK and by coach in France. Nearer departure time, I will ask for information about any travel sickness requirements and how we will manage any other medication required for students whilst we are away.

Information will be provided before we travel, to inform you of the full itinerary, packing list and restricted items list. Please note that there will be a suitcase weight/size restriction. Students will be contacted regarding rooming in due course.

In order to travel, students will require a valid UK passport, which we will collect by the end of March 2025 to ensure all necessary paperwork is completed. If your child already has a passport, please ensure it meets current travel requirements. It must have validity of at least three more months after our departure date (5 December 2025). All students will also require a GHIC card, which are free to order online and an ETIAS Visa which cost approximately 7 euros. More information will be provided about these in due course.

The cost of the trip is £501.50 per student, which includes insurance and travel, accommodation, food (except for outbound travel) and all activities. If you would like your child to attend the visit, please make payment of a non-refundable deposit of £75 via the Arbor parent portal by 12:30pm on Wednesday 11 December 2024. To do this, please log into the portal and search for Activities/Trips. By making this payment, you are consenting to your child attending this trip.

If you have not yet activated your parent portal account, please click here.

Please note that if payment is not received by this date your child will unfortunately not be able to attend, and the place will be offered to students on our reserve list.

The second instalment of £150 is due by 31 January 2025 and the final payment of £276.50 is due by 31 March 2025. Students can bring spending money and further information will be provided in due course.

I am very much looking forward to providing this opportunity for our students.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Groak

Head of Department – Modern Foreign Languages