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## **DAY TRIP TO FRANCE- FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

### **ONLY THREE WEEKS TO GO!**

As the trip to France is fast approaching, this letter is to give you a final checklist:

#### **Departure time**

We will meet at the school at **6.00am** and the coach will leave promptly at **6.30 am**. Unfortunately, we will not be able to wait for any latecomers so please ensure that you are on time.

#### **Medication**

If your child is likely to suffer from sickness on the coach, please ensure they are provided with appropriate medication, with labelled clear instructions of when and how to take it. If they are likely to need any other medication during the day, it is vital that we are informed about it, and the necessary medication is sent into school by **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February**.

#### **Passport and Emergency Contact Numbers**

Please ensure that your child brings his/her passport (or ID card) and hand it in to Miss O'mard or the school office by **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February** at the latest. If your child has a valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) please send this with them also. If we need to contact you in an emergency, we will use your emergency contact details you provided on the medical and dietary form. If you happen to have changed your phone number before the trip, please ensure the correct number is brought in to school immediately.

#### **What to bring**

##### **Mobile phones**

Pupils **are allowed** to bring their mobile phone on the trip. However, phones must be on flight mode at all times and only used to take photos, pupils are not permitted to use any form of social media. If caught, phones will be confiscated.

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## **Packed Lunch**

Just a reminder that pupils should bring 3 packed lunches (breakfast, lunch, tea) with them for the journey.

Below is a list of suggested foods for the journey:

Sandwiches	Fruit/Granola bars	Rice cakes
Cold meats	Biscuits	Savory snacks
Fruits	Crackers	Crisps
Yogurt	Dried fruits	Breadsticks

Students may bring some sweets with them but please note that sweets, snacks and packed lunches **should not contain nuts** as this is school policy.

Normal school rules apply and therefore children should not have any chewing gum.

## **Spending Money**

We advise that pupils should bring no more than **10 euros** as spending money and they must be aware that they are fully responsible for this money.

The money should be changed into euros **BEFORE** the trip

## **Clothes**

Please ensure your child is wearing a warm jacket, comfortable clothes and suitable footwear.

## **Return time**

We will leave Calais at approximately 7.00pm to return in the evening and be back at school for 10.30pm.

This, of course, may be subject to change for reasons beyond our control. If for any reason we are due to arrive earlier, or if we are delayed, we will send a text to keep you informed. Pupils will remain with the group as we wait for parents to pick up their child. As you can imagine, this is an exhausting day, both for children and staff so please arrive on time to collect your child.

## **And finally ...**

We will instruct your children about good behaviour and safety on the trip, but we would appreciate it if you could support us by talking to them yourself beforehand.

Please include the following:

- ✓ Never go off on your own.
- ✓ Keep your money safe in a wallet or purse, preferably in an inside pocket.
- ✓ Behave well at all times, particularly on the coach. Move around calmly and quietly. Remember other travellers want a peaceful journey!
- ✓ Be polite to all adults, including the Guide. Lots of pleases and thank-yous, especially in French!

**MANY THANKS. HERE'S TO A GREAT DAY!**

Yours sincerely,

Miss Douglas  
**Head of Year 7**