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Smestow Academy
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Dear Parent/Carer

Paris Trip

Your child has expressed an interest in participating in our upcoming educational visit to the Paris in France. The trip will be taking place from Friday 15th – Monday 18th March 2024. The trip is open to all pupils in Years 7 - 10.

On the trip, students will be travelling by coach to Paris (via ferry from Dover to Calais), in order to visit the main historical sites in the beautiful city of Paris. The visit to Paris also includes a boat trip along the famous Seine river. The trip also includes a visit to Disneyland, where students will be able to experience rollercoasters and other amusements.

The prospective itinerary is as follows:

Friday 15th March – Depart school in the early hours of the morning, travel to France

Saturday 16th March – Visit to the Eiffel Tower (second floor via the stairs), river cruise down the Seine, visit to an art museum (to be confirmed – Louvre or the Musée d'Orsay, bus tour of Paris

Sunday 17th March – Disneyland

Monday 18th March – Travel home, arriving late evening

We will be staying at the PGL centre located outside Paris (nearer Disneyland). Breakfast, a packed lunch and dinner are both included in the cost of the visit from Friday evening until Monday lunchtime.

There are 25 places available for this trip, and places will be awarded on a first come, first served basis. All pupils who wish to participate in the visit must have their own passport which is valid for at least 6 months after the return date of the trip. A copy of your child's passport must be handed in with the reply slip below.

Please contact the school via postbox@smestowacademy.co.uk if your child is in receipt of Free School Meals to discuss financial support that may be available.

Should you choose to withdraw your child from the trip, this will result in losing the money paid to date for the trip. Our travel insurance will cover us in the case that the trip is not able to go ahead at all.

The price of the trip is **£450** per student, and payments are required as follows (the schedule is dictated by our travel company):

Friday 6th October: £120 deposit (this is non-refundable)



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Monday 13th November: £110

Monday 11th December: £110

Monday 15th January: £110

We will host a parent meeting prior to the trip to ensure that parents are fully briefed about the visit and our expectations of pupils while they are away.

If your child is interested in participating in this educational visit, you will find the option to make the deposit payment on your child's online account. Payments will open on Friday 29th September. We anticipate this being a very popular opportunity, so please ensure that you complete the following to confirm your child's place.

- Make the deposit payment on Weduc
- Return the reply slip below to the school reception
- Return a copy of your child's passport to the school reception or send via email (postbox@smestowacademy.co.uk)

Yours faithfully



Mr I Chamberlain
Headteacher

Paris Trip
Friday 15th – Monday 18th March 2024

Pupil Name: _____ Form: _____

I give permission for my child to attend the Paris Trip from Friday 15th to Monday 18th March.

I have made the deposit payment online

I enclose a copy of my child's passport or have emailed a copy to postbox@smestowacademy.co.uk

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please return to Reception.

