

12<sup>th</sup> October 2017

SDL/LMA/BR74

Dear Parent/Carer

### **FRENCH LANGUAGE TOUR TO NORMANDY- 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

We are excited to be proposing a Year 7 and 8 trip to Normandy to support our curriculum plans for French language students and enhance learning experiences within The Academy.

Please find below the provisional details about the planned trip:

5 days and 4 nights (Departs on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 and returns on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018). The purpose of the trip is to develop confidence in French listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in preparation for year 11, as well as an opportunity to experience French culture first hand.

The provisional cost is £495.00 per student.

This price includes:

- Return executive coach travel and return channel crossings
- Accommodation in a chateau, which is situated in Normandy, near the Mont Saint-Michel

(Students will need to buy their own breakfast and lunch for the first day. Breakfast and evening meal are included).

- Group travel insurance - NST 24hr emergency contact service whilst on tour
- Tickets for all activities on the proposed itinerary below

The group size is 30 students and four teachers.

The adults accompanying the group will be to a ratio of 1:8 and will include:

Thomas Hurth (French teacher), Robert Lee (English teacher), Lynne Wilkinson (Humanities teacher) and Michelle Holland (LSA).

The provisional itinerary for the trip will include:

Day 1 – Departure from The Academy. Settle into the chateau in the afternoon, dinner and treasure hunt.

Day 2 – Laval market in the morning. Back to the chateau, zip wire, fencing and archery in the afternoon. Scrapheap challenge after dinner.

Day 3 - Fougères Castle in the morning. Mont Saint-Michel in the afternoon. French quiz and fancy dress at the chateau.

Day 4 - Chocolate factory in the morning. Climbing wall, initiative and nightline in the afternoon. Talent show and disco after dinner.

Day 5 - Return journey. On the way back, we may stop at a large shopping centre.

On the Chateau Beaumont website, there is a booklet that will give you further information regarding their ethos, location and the range of activities.  
<http://www.chateau-beaumont.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/Chateau-Beaumont-Brochure1.pdf>

In addition to the tour cost, we recommend that your child has 30 euros spending money to cover lunch and souvenirs. They will also require a valid PASSPORT and EHIC (European Health Insurance Card).

To secure a place for your son/daughter on this trip, a non-refundable deposit of £100 is required, along with the completed permission slip by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017. A further payment of £200 will be required by February 6<sup>th</sup>, followed by a final payment of £195 by May 8<sup>th</sup>. Interim payments can be made between the dates outlined above. Payment needs to be made through Parent Pay. If you do not have a Parent Pay account, please contact Mrs M O'Connor, on [Melinda.oconnor@leighacademy.org.uk](mailto:Melinda.oconnor@leighacademy.org.uk) or on 01322 620503. Cash and cheques are no longer accepted at The Academy. Students will leave The Academy at (approximately) 5.30a.m. on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July and return by 10.00p.m. on Friday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. All students should bring a packed lunch with them for the outward journey. There will be a parent briefing meeting in June before the visit.

Current legislation permits us to ask only for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of the visit. No student will be discriminated against on the inability to pay. However, if sufficient money is not raised through contributions, then the visit will have to be cancelled.

If you would like to know more about this trip, please contact Mr Dearsley [stewart.dearsley@leighacademy.org.uk](mailto:stewart.dearsley@leighacademy.org.uk) or Mr Hurth [thomas.hurth@leighacademy.org.uk](mailto:thomas.hurth@leighacademy.org.uk)

Yours faithfully



Mr S Dearsley  
(Director of Learning – MFL)



Mr T Hurth  
(Teacher of French)

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### **The Leigh Academy – Year 7 and 8 visit to Normandy**

**Please complete and return to Mr Hurth in D2.01 by Monday 9th October 2017**

I give my permission for my son/daughter to attend the visit to Chateau Beaumont, Normandy on 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

I agree to my son/daughter receiving medication as instructed and any emergency dental, medical or surgical treatment, including anaesthetic or blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tutor Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_