

19th June 2017

SDL/JHWV133

Dear Parent/Carer

We are now in a position to be able to give you the final details for our forthcoming visit to Normandy.

Travel to Normandy 3rd July 2017

- Students will be expected to be at The Academy at 5:15a.m. on Monday, 3rd July.
Students should load their main luggage onto the coach by 5.30a.m.
- Care should be taken not to pack anything in this bag which will be needed before our arrival in France, e.g., pocket money / medication / passport / EHIC card / packed lunch.
- Students should ensure their hand luggage contains everything they will need during the journey e.g., food, drinks, games, pen, pencil. The coach will have a DVD player so please bring any age appropriate DVDs you wish to watch.

Food for the journey to France

Students will need a packed lunch and other snacks. There will be an opportunity to buy food on the ferry but this can be expensive. Please do not provide your child with fizzy or energy drinks or cans. We recommend fruit juice or water in cartons or plastic bottles. **Please do not send any food containing nuts, as there are people with a nut allergy on this trip.**

Food for the journey back to England

Students will be provided with breakfast on the day of departure but must buy their food for the rest of the day. You may wish to remind your son/daughter to keep some money in reserve for the journey home.

Itinerary:

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Monday 3rd	5:15 meet at TLA	Journey to Normandy via Dover and Calais	Arrive at Chateau Beaumont. Settle in and evening activity
Tuesday 4th	Fougeres – castle visit	Monbana chocolate visit	Activities at the centre
Wednesday 5th	St Hilaire market	Le Mont St Michel	Activities at the centre
Thursday 6th	On site activities, zipwire,nightline, diary	Goat cheese farm visit	Talent show / disco / activities
Friday 7th	Depart 9:15a.m.	Journey to Calais	Arrive at TLA 19:45 approx

Accommodation:

We are staying at our accommodation on a full board basis. Students will have all meals provided. This is the address:

Château Beaumont
Les Courges
53420 Chailland
France

Tel : 00 33 243027633

Pocket money, mobile phones, devices and other valuables

Please ensure that most of your child's pocket money is in Euros before the trip, a small amount of English money might be useful. Students may keep their pocket money themselves but must understand that it is **their** responsibility. At the trip meeting in April it was suggested that £30 would be adequate.

Mobile phones are allowed on the trip. Again these are the responsibility of the individual student. This week roaming charges across Europe have ceased, so your normal UK tariff should apply in France.

iPads and tablets are **not** covered under the insurance policy provided by the travel company, so if allowing your child to take theirs with them, please arrange a separate insurance policy. A European travel adaptor will be necessary for charging devices.

Passports may be handed in to staff for safekeeping once we are in France. Staff will have access to a safe at our accommodation.

Medication

Medication, including travel sickness tablets, should be clearly labelled with the student's name and explicit instructions as to when and how it is to be administered. It should be handed to the group leader on the coach.

Travel Sickness Tablets

If you know or suspect your son/daughter may suffer from travel sickness please provide them with enough suitable medication. We are on the coach for some long journeys and your son/daughter could be very uncomfortable if you do not take adequate precautions.

Emergency Contact

During school hours, the best way to contact us is by phoning The Academy on 01322 620400 and asking to speak to Mr Brewer, (Vice Principal in Da Vinci) who is our Duty Officer.

We will be taking this school mobile phone for emergency use which will be on 24/7: Mr Dearsley 07718 268822

Phones

Please ensure that all telephone numbers you have provided us with are correct and up to date. Any mistakes or updates should be advised to Mr Dearsley on 01322 620400 or email stewart.dearsley@leighacademy.org.uk

Arrival home Friday 7TH July

We will arrive back at the Leigh Academy at approximately 19:45p.m. but experience tells us that times can vary. If there is going to be a difference of more than 30 minutes, we will let you know by phone.

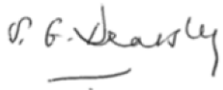
Additional Information

1. Your son/daughter will be provided with a booklet of information about our visit.
2. Room allocation will be made before we leave and the students will be asked to nominate who they would like to share with. Students need to see Mr Hurth to arrange this.

Please find a kit list attached.

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

Yours sincerely



Mr S Dearsley
Director of Learning
Modern Foreign Languages