

2nd December 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Year 10 Maths and Business Trip to Paris

Your daughter is being given an opportunity to attend a trip to Paris departing on Monday 13th July 2020 and returning on Thursday 16th July 2020. The trip is being delivered by Galina International Study Tours Ltd. and it will take place during Ursuline Fest week, therefore the students will not miss any lessons. The purpose of the trip is for the students to explore the beautiful and famous sights that Paris has to offer while challenging the students to broaden their understanding of key Maths and Business concepts and topics covered at GCSE such as Exchange Rates, Trigonometry and Marketing. By the end of the trip all students will have completed a booklet which has a range of questions and activities to engage and to develop their skills in Maths and in Business in an exciting way. The trip is on offer to all girls in Year 10, and will be a first come first served basis due to the limit spaces available. *Please note that all timings below are based on last years travel arrangements and are an approximate of the travel arrangements for 2020.

Monday 13th: We will be departing school by coach between 06.00 and 08.30 hours before getting the ferry to Calais. The ferry will take approximately 1 hour 30 minutes before a 4 hour 30 minute coach journey to our hotel in Paris. When we arrive in Paris by coach from Calais, we will check in and have an evening meal at approximately 6-8pm. All travel will be included in the cost of the trip.

Tuesday 14th: Included in the itinerary for day two is a morning spent in La Villette Maths Exhibition from 10am – 12.30pm where students will get the opportunity to participate in workshops and to try some of the interesting activities on offer. This is a self-guided tour in which students will complete audio-visual activities and also a detailed Maths booklet provided covering topics such as Vectors, Ratios and the History of Maths. In the afternoon of the second day, after lunch, the group will be guided by a local tour operator to see three of the most famous and historic sights of Paris, including the Notre Dame Cathedral, Pei's Pyramid at the Louvre and Montparnasse Tower **or** the Eiffel Tower. Again students will have questions to answer based on observations of the height, size, probability and popularity of these famous attractions. We will finish the day by going for an evening meal at a Paris restaurant between approximately 6-8pm.

Wednesday 15th: On the third day we will visit Disneyland Paris and students will have tickets to enter both parks for the entire day. The students will be given specific workbooks to complete at Disneyland based on their chosen subject of either Business or Maths. These booklets will allow the students to embrace the exciting nature of the theme park but to also observe and investigate how the Human Resources at Disneyland are managed and they can calculate the speed, cost and velocity of some of the famous rides and attractions. To end the day we will have dinner at Disneyland before returning to our accommodation in Paris.

Thursday 16th: The fourth and final day will be the return trip to school on Thursday 16th July 2020. We will be leaving the hotel in Paris after breakfast between 10.00 and 12.00 hours. It takes 4 hours and 30 minutes approximately on the coach from Paris to the ferry at Calais. After a 1 hour 30 minutes ferry and the 2 hour 30 minutes coach journey back to school we aim to have a drop off time at school between 20.00 and 22.30 hours approximately.

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The accommodation for the 3 nights will be in twin, triple or multi bedded en-suite rooms for the students and no student will be in a room or accommodation of their own. The accommodation is half board so breakfast and dinner will be included in the overall price. The total cost of the trip per student is £368 based on a maximum of 44 students attending, this is subject to change based on numbers and this figure includes travel insurance. **This will be a first come first served basis.** Payments can only be made on Parent Pay and a deposit of £150 is due as soon as possible to secure a place; please note deposits are non-refundable. The final payment of the overall balance is due 12 weeks before departure, by Monday 13th April 2020 at the latest.

**We ask that students bring some money for lunch and/or snacks during the day and that they bring along a notebook and pen for taking notes or asking questions. If you have any queries regarding this visit, please do not hesitate to contact me in K5 or by email

Important notice

Students **MUST** have their own current passport and EHIC medical insurance card. Non EU passport holders must see me with their passports before signing up for the trip.

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Kind Regards,

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PLEASE RETURN TO MR CAMPBELL

Name of student:

Form class:

- I agree / don't agree to our daughter attending and I have / have not already paid the deposit of £150

Emergency telephone number of Parent/Guardian:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

