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Dear Parents or Carers

This year, we are planning an exciting French trip for our year 11 students. It will take place in October half-term, from Tuesday 15th January 2013 to Sunday 20th January 2013, a total of 5 days. We will set off at 7:30 am exactly. Any student not there will be left behind. We will then travel to Dover to catch 10:00 ferry to Dover from Calais. The ferry ride will cost £63 per student, and another £63 for the return trip.

When we arrive in Calais at approximately 11:30, we will travel another 3 hours and 30 minutes to Paris by minibus, where we will check into our hotel, Les Trois Poussins Hotel, and unpack. Once everyone has got settled, we will have lunch at the hotel, and spend the rest of the day doing our first sight-seeing activity, going to the Eiffel Tower. This will cost £44 per student and will last approximately 4 hours. We will then come back to the Hotel for dinner.

We will do a lot of sight-seeing activities throughout our stay, including visiting the Arc De Triomphe, Disney Land Paris, and other local attractions like the Le Bout theatre. We will also eat out at a few restaurants like the Sepharin restaurant. On the day of our departure, we will leave the hotel at 10:00 and set off for Calais. We will then catch the 2:00 ferry from Calais to Dover, and arrive at Dover at approximately 3:30; we will then drive home and arrive at about 6:00. Altogether, the trip will cost £567, but many parents might want to give their child spending money. We realise that this adds up to a lot, but it really is a fantastic opportunity for those year 11 students who are taking French, and also very educational, as everyone will be required to speak fluent French. There will be a meeting on Friday 19th October 2012 for more details on the trip, and there is also a check list on the next page. Please talk to me if you are unable to attend the meeting, and I will arrange a private meeting. Thank you.

Yours Sincerely

Isabelle Simpson

Head of MFL

Checklist:

Lots of Jumpers

Lots of T-shirts

Lots of Trousers/Jeans

Something smart for restaurants

A coat

Gloves

Hat

Socks

Sensible shoes e.g. trainers

Wash things e.g. toothbrush

Mobile Phone

Spending money

Camera

Something to entertain you for the way there and back

Notebook and pen

Medication for travelling

Packed lunch for trip to Paris

Small backpack to put everything in

Large suitcase for all of your clothes

Please DO NOT bring anything very valuable