



GCC Expression of interest

Friday, 27 September 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We in the GCC French department are currently in the process of organising a new French language tour. We hope to go to Paris and depending on the availability of flights we intend to depart on the week beginning Monday 13 January 2024.

As part of this trip students will have a language learning component which will include a number of French classes as well as visits to many popular Parisian landmarks that the city has to offer. This will be a wonderful experience for your son/daughter in 5th year; enriching both their language skills and cultural understanding of the language they learn.

The cost of this trip largely depends on numbers travelling, flight availability, and a general increase in tourist taxes in Paris as result of the Olympics. Based on recent discussions with tour operators, we would estimate that the total cost for 4/5 days including entry to tourist attractions, Disneyland etc. will be in the region of €900.

After we get an idea of numbers willing to travel, an initial non-refundable deposit of usually €300 will be needed to secure a place on the tour. This will be in the next couple of weeks and will be made via an online payment system. The school will also collect approx. €20 to cover a number of costs not included in the tour package such as hotel security deposit, teacher expenses or any other unforeseen expenses that may arise. The final non-refundable balance of the tour is usually paid within 10 weeks.

In order to get the best possible price, we would greatly appreciate that you discuss the French language tour with your son/daughter. If he/she is interested in participating, please sign the form below and return it to your French teacher before Friday 4 October 2024

Students with disciplinary issues in the past will not be permitted on the trip and need not apply.

We thank you for your cooperation,

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G.C.C French Department

I _____ (name of parent/guardian) allow my son/
daughter _____ (name of son/daughter) to apply for a place in the French
Language Tour. I understand that by submitting this application that he/she will abide by all the school
rules as normal while on tour. I also understand that if places become limited that in this instance, they
are offered on a first come first served basis.

Signed (parent/guardian) _____ Date: _____

Signed (student) _____ Date: _____