## **Challney High School for Girls**



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Dear Parent/Carer,

16<sup>th</sup> September 2016

The MFL department at Challney High School for Girls are excited to launch a residential trip to Paris, France on the 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> April 2017. This is a fantastic learning opportunity for your daughter. The cost of this trip will be £400, which includes everything apart from spending money.

During our stay in France, our students will experience a variety of exciting activities. We are based in a PGL Chateau just outside of Paris, accommodation which is solely for school groups. PGL is a nationally recognised and accredited education travel company that the school have used many times for residential trips and we have found them to be both reliable and efficient, providing an excellent residential experience for our children.

The proposed itinerary of our trip will include:

- A visit to the town of Arras on the way to Paris.
- A visit to the town of Melun on market day with an excursion to Vaux-le-Vicomte stately home.
- A full day in Paris with visits to the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral and the Louvre Museum. Additionally there will be a boat ride along the river Seine.
- An excursion to Disneyland Paris.

All transport is included in the cost with coach travel from Luton, a Euroshuttle crossing to France and the use of the coach in and around Paris. As the trip is all inclusive, all meals and drinks with meals are included in the price – a buffet breakfast, packed lunches and a buffet evening meal.

We feel that this trip will be an experience that our children will truly gain much from, both educationally and developmentally. An experience they will remember well into the future.

If you wish your daughter to take part in this invaluable learning opportunity you will need to return the reply slip to Mrs Scholes and pay the £50 deposit before the 26<sup>th</sup> September.

The safest, most secure way to make payment is through ParentPay, our online payment system. If your daughter's account has not yet been activated the Finance Office can let you know how to proceed. You can also pay cash by using PayPoint sites at local shops. Local PayPoint providers can be found on <a href="https://www.paypoint.co.uk/paypointlocator">www.paypoint.co.uk/paypointlocator</a>. You must only use the barcode (specific to your daughter) attached to this letter. Please do not bring cash into school.











There are a total of 35 places available and if there are more students than places, then we will look at factors such as previous behaviour records in order to decide who is allocated a place. We will confirm that your daughter has secured a place in writing to you during the week of the 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Please do not make any additional payments after you have paid the deposit until you have a letter confirming your daughters place. Once a place is confirmed your deposit is non-refundable.

Once your place is confirmed then you will need to

- 1. Make sure that your daughter has a valid passport for travel or apply for one. (Child passports cost £46 according to <a href="https://www.gov.uk/passport-fees">https://www.gov.uk/passport-fees</a>) We will require passport numbers in December.
- 2. Order an EHIC card to cover for emergency medical costs when abroad.
- 3. Ensure that you have paid the balance by 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017. Payments may be made at any time until this point, please see below a suggested payment schedule.

£50	26 <sup>th</sup> September (initial deposit)
£87.50	21 <sup>st</sup> October
£87.50	21 <sup>st</sup> November
£87.50	21 <sup>st</sup> December
£87.50	21 <sup>st</sup> January

The school may be able to help you with payment if you wish your daughter to take up this opportunity but find that your circumstances may make this difficult. If this is the case, please send a letter into the school and we will be able to consider your circumstances on an individual basis.

We look forward to your daughter being able to join us on this exciting learning opportunity. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at the school on 01582 571427.

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Mrs H Scholes (Department Leader for MFL)

MFL Residential Trip to Paris. Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

I would like my daughter to take part in the residential trip to Paris  $3^{rd} - 7^{th}$  April 2017 and I have paid £50 deposit via Parentpay/ Paypoint.

Student's name\_\_\_\_\_\_ Form

Parent/carer signature:\_









