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MFL Trip to Normandy 27th-30th May 2027

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Modern Languages Department is excited to announce a residential trip to Normandy, France, in May 2027. This is an exciting opportunity for students to experience authentic French culture, including staying in a Chateau, visiting local markets, and exploring the World Heritage Site at Mont Saint-Michel.

We will travel to Normandy via coach and ferry, visiting towns on the way. Excursions include tours of local industries, a visit to the D-Day beaches, and plenty of opportunities to interact with locals and practice French skills. This trip will be most relevant for students who wish to study French at GCSE, and as such Year 9 students who have opted for this subject will be prioritised. We are also excited to offer the trip to Year 8 students who have a passion and interest for French.

The total cost of the trip will be **£525**, which includes all travel, accommodation, and excursion costs. Students will enjoy full board meals at the accommodation.

Places are limited to a maximum of 40 students and, in the event that the trip is oversubscribed, names will be drawn at random to allocate places.

To apply for a place on the trip, please complete and [submit this form](#) by **Monday 23rd February 2026 at 3.30pm**. If you are allocated a place, a non-refundable deposit of **£100** is payable via [ParentPay](#) by **Friday 13th March 2026**.

The payment schedule is below:

Friday 13th March 2026: £100 initial deposit.

Thursday 30th April 2026: £100 second installment.

Friday 29th May 2026: £100 third installment.

Wednesday 30th September 2026: £100 fourth installment.

Friday 30th October 2026: £125 final installment.

If you are experiencing financial hardship at this time please contact finance@hgs.herts.sch.uk for further information on how we may be able to support your family with this trip.

With all our international trips we also ask, additionally, for the following:

1. **Explicit consent for the student to attend this trip** - please complete the attached form and return to admin@hgs.herts.sch.uk or by bringing it into school



2. **Passport valid to and from dates** - please complete the attached form and return to admin@hgs.herts.sch.uk or by bringing it into school. Your child should have a minimum of six months remaining on their passport [Expiry date no earlier than 30th November 2027].

In order for the trip to be safe and enjoyable we do expect good behaviour in line with our Behaviour for Learning policy from all participants. If students present significant behaviour concerns prior to the trip we reserve the right to withdraw their place on the trip and a refund may not be given.

Please contact Stephen Clifford, by emailing admin@hgs.herts.sch.uk if you require any further information.

Yours faithfully,



Stephen Clifford

Acting Head of MFL