

Whitehill Junior School

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Chateau Beaumont 18th-22nd May 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please find below the key information regarding the Year 6 residential trip to France. Should you have any queries, please feel free to contact Mrs Bailey, Mrs Bryan or the office.

We will be travelling to the Chateau, near Laval in France, in the very early hours of Monday morning, staying for four nights and five days. The children will be taking part in a range of challenging activities and cultural excursions.

Why are we going?

We believe that this trip will build independence, resilience and a sense of adventure. In the run up to secondary school transition, it gives the children to grow and blossom, to challenge themselves physically and emotionally. It is also an opportunity to develop a wider understanding of another country and to develop their French-speaking skills.

Transport

We will be travelling by coach and ferry from Portsmouth to Caen.

Passports

Your child will require their own passport to travel and it is imperative that they have at least 6 months validity on them from the date that we leave.

Accommodation

Rooms sleep between 6-12 children. Boys and girls are separate. They are secure dormitories and they are overseen by teachers and adults from the Chateau Beaumont team. There is a full risk assessment on all accommodation and activities.

Activities

These include archery, fencing, nightline, talent show and disco, swimming and climbing. Trips include a visit to a French Market, Mont-st-Michel and the D-Day beach at Arromanches. We have some new trips this year, details to follow.



Food

Your child will need a packed breakfast on Day 1 but all other meals are provided, including on the ferry. This is included in the cost. The food is excellent in terms of quality and choice. Please inform us, nearer the time, of any allergies and dietary requirements.

Cost

The cost is £485 per child. This includes all travel, accommodation, food, trained supervision for activities and excursions. To secure a place, you will need to pay a £50 deposit (non-refundable) by Friday 27th September. You are able to pay via School Gateway. The suggested programme of payment is below. However, if you want to pay in smaller, regular payments, please speak to Mrs Cook.

2nd payment £100 payable by 15th November

3rd payment £100 payable by 14th Feb

4th payment £150 payable by 20th March

Last payment £85 payable by 24th April

We hope that you find this information reassuring and helpful. If you have any queries, please pop in at the end of school, or drop me an email.

On behalf of the Year 6 Team,
Clare Bailey- Trip Leader

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Child's Name..... Class.....

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I would like to reserve a place for my child to go to France and I have paid a **non-refundable** deposit of £50.

- I enclose a cheque for £..... made payable to Whitehill Junior School.
- I enclose cash of £.....
- I have paid £..... through School Gateway.

Signed..... Parent/Guardian

