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Dear Parent/ Carer

FRENCH TRIP, OCTOBER 2015

As part of our enhanced Year 9 curriculum we are once again organizing an exciting 6 day, 5 night trip for our new Year 9 students. This trip is designed to be a fun team building experience with strong educational elements.

The cost of this trip includes travel, travel insurance, "Behind the Scenes" and Eiffel Tower Trip, fully guided Paris City Tour, Seine River Trip, a full day in both MGM Studios and The Magic Kingdom using a 2 day Disney Hopper pass and 1 day Parc Asterix pass. Students will also have the opportunity to visit a large French shopping centre where they will have a chance to practice their French speaking skills.

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| Date of Trip: | 25 th – 30 th October 2015 |
| Accommodation: | 5 Nights accommodation at the 3 star Disney Explorers Hotel, Disneyland Paris or similar |
| Meal Arrangements: | Half-board (breakfast and evening meal) |
| Total cost per student: | £640.00 |

Students will need to take additional spending money for souvenirs, drinks, lunch and snacks. There are a limited number of spaces for this trip and it will be offered on a first come, first served basis. **All students need their own valid passport and EHIC card for this trip (copy of passport and actual EHIC required during first week of September).**

Tour arrangements have been organized through Studytrips, a leading educational tour operator fully bonded by ABTA (Association of British Travel Agents) and ATOL (Air Travel Organizer's License). Studytrips are a fully assured member of STF (School Travel Forum), a group leading school tour operators that promote good practice and safety in school travel. All Full Members of the DTF adhere to a rigorous Code of Practice and Safety Management Standards that are externally verified each year by Overcoat, the UK's leading Health and Safety Consultancy specializing in Travel.

If you would like your son or daughter to take part in this visit please complete the attached slip and return to **Mrs Hargreaves at Vandyke Upper School** in the enclosed envelope along with a **non-returnable** deposit of £200 by Friday 3rd of July 2015. The deposit should be returned with postdated cheques for the following dates and amounts. All cheques are to be made payable to **Vandyke Upper School**. The school now has the facility to make payments through internet banking. **If you wish to use this method of payment once the deposit has been paid please tick the box below and the school finance office will contact you.**

Support may be available for those in difficult financial circumstances (from the Vandyke Opportunities Fund). For more information contact me directly.



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| Monday 3 rd July 2015 | £200.00 Deposit. |
| Monday 6 th August 2015 | £150.00 |
| Monday 3 rd September 2015 | £150.00 |
| Tuesday 5 th October 2015 | £140.00 Full and final balance. |

If you require any further information regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

J. Hargreaves
Head of Design Technology

Year 9 French Trip returns slip

Students Name-----Current School-----

I wish my son/daughter to take part in the French trip departing on 25th October 2015 and enclose a cash/cheque deposit of £200.00. Cheques to be made payable to **Vandyke Upper School**.

I understand that the deposit is non-returnable, unless the trip is cancelled by the school or my son/daughter does not attend Vandyke in September. (please tick)

I wish to make payments through the on line banking system. Please contact me with details.

Signed----- Parent/Carer. Date-----

Contact Telephone Number: -----

Address _____

Email Address: -----