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September 2025

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Year 8 Trip to France Summer Term 2026

A residential trip to France for Year 8 has been planned to practise and develop their French language skills. The trip is scheduled for **Wednesday 1**st **July, Thursday 2**nd **July & Friday 3**rd **July 2025.**

At this stage there is a basic outline of the visit so that you can register an interest in your child participating and necessary reservations can be made before the end of this term. A detailed itinerary and a final check list will be distributed closer to the date.

The group will be leaving school on Wednesday 1st July 2026 once all the taxis have arrived and travel by school minibus in order to take the Eurotunnel to Calais. We will then travel to Boulogne where we will be staying in a youth hostel. During the visit pupils will do language activities, visit key sites such as Nausicaa aquarium and a snail far as well as having the chance to shop in a hypermarket and eat in a French restaurant. We will return to school on Friday 3rd July 2026 in time for lunch and taxis at the end of the school day.

The cost of the trip will be £195 which includes:

Group passport

Transport

Accommodation

Food

Activities

Insurance

Pocket money in euros (No additional spending money is required)

We will apply for a collective school passport so if your child does not have their own passport they can still participate.

All pupils should have an GHIC in case of a medical issue arising. These cards are free and applications can be made online or at the post office.

If you would like your child to take part in this trip please complete the attached slip and return it to me by Wednesday 15 October 2025. An initial deposit of £45 is required by 15 October 2025 and our preferred payment method is ParentPay, however cash or cheques payable to "Bower Grove School" can still be accepted. The remainder of the cost can be made in 5 instalments of £30 via ParentPay (12 December 2025, 6 February 2026, 27 March 2026, 1 May 2026 & 5 June 2026)

There will be an information meeting for parents/carers after school early in Term 6 2024 but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at school by phone or email tsyrett@bower-grove.kent.sch.uk

Yours faithfully,

Ms T Syrett (Subject Leader for Global Learning)

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