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Dear Parents,

Year 7 Study Trip to France – Friday 25th to Saturday 26th June 2010

Following last year's successful Year 7 joint study visit to France, the French and Biology Departments would like to organise a similar visit for the current Year 7 from **Friday 25th to Saturday 26th June 2010**. The purpose of the visit is to cover part of the KS3 National Curriculum for Biology and to gain an awareness of how language learning can be put to use in furthering our understanding of other cultures and as a means of communication.

We propose to cross the channel from Dover to Calais and drive by coach to Boulogne, picnic and visit the Nausicaä aquarium. Here, students will carry out a project which will enable them to use French and develop their understanding of food chains and classification and environmental issues relating to the sea and over-exploitation of its resources. On the Saturday morning, we will travel to St. Omer to visit a typical French market in the main square. Students will carry out another part of the project here. The students will spend most of this time in groups of around 8 with a member of staff. In addition, we plan to use Year 12 French and Biology students to help the students in their project work.

At this time of year, it is particularly difficult to find one night's accommodation in the area and therefore the students will stay in two separate groups. However, girls will have the opportunity to choose their groups for the allocation of rooms. We will stay overnight either in the Auberge de Jeunesse, Calais or in the Cottage Hotel, Calais. All bedrooms will have single beds for 2 to 3 students with an en-suite shower and toilet.

As with all trips and visits, students are expected to abide by the school's Code of Conduct which they have agreed and signed

In order for the visit to take place, we are seeking a payment of £146, which includes one night's board and lodging, a picnic lunch on Saturday, all transport via coach and ferry, insurance, entrance to the Nausicaä aquarium and study materials. This is a voluntary contribution; however the visit can only go ahead if parents wishing their daughters to take part are prepared to cover the costs involved. There is no obligation to contribute and if the activity does take place, a student whose parents have not contributed will still be able to go. However we must emphasise that if the level of support is deemed inadequate, the visit will not take place at all for any of the students. Should you be concerned about meeting the full cost, please return the slip and attach a letter addressed to Mrs Chapman, Headteacher, who consider your request. A decision on the financial viability of the trip will be taken on Thursday 11th March 2010.

If you wish your daughter to take part, please complete the attached slip and 'Parental Permission Form - Visits Abroad' and arrange payment of a deposit of **£30 by Tuesday 9th March 2010 at the latest.**

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The school's preferred method of payment is via Parent Pay. If using this system you will still need to return the attached agreement/permission slip. If you are unable to use Parent Pay, please complete and return the slip and attach a cheque, payable to Chelmsford County High School. All documents should be returned to the Finance Office in an envelope marked with 'Year 7 France Visit' and her name and form; she should not give it in to any other member of staff. **The balance of £116** will be due by **Wednesday 21st April 2010**.

Your daughter must have her own passport and European Health Insurance Card for this visit and these will be collected in prior to departure; please check the expiry dates for both documents and, if necessary, arrange replacements in good time. If your daughter holds a non-EU passport, we will apply for visa exemption. A reminder, with confirmation of the date for passport collection, will be sent to you at the beginning of June 2010.

Final details of the visit arrangements will be sent to you nearer the date. If you have any queries in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

If you decide that you do not wish your daughter to take part in this visit, she will need to attend school as usual on Friday 25th June 2010 and a programme of activities will be organised for her. Please still return the slip to the Finance Office, if this is the case, and mark it appropriately.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs M Gulliver
Head of French

Mr M Rowell
Head of Biology

<p align="center">Please return to the Finance Office, Chelmsford County High School by Tuesday 9th March 2010 at the latest.</p>	<p align="center">Office Use Only <i>Please strike through this section if you do not require a receipt.</i></p>			
<p align="center">Please tick the box that applies:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would like my daughter to take part in the French/Biology Study Visit to France from Friday 25th June to Saturday 26th June 2010. I have read, understood and agree to the arrangements for travel and supervision. I accept that failure to meet the deadlines particularly those relating to passport details may result in my daughter being unable to travel with the group. I have also understood the letter concerning the cost of the trip and I am prepared to pay a voluntary contribution of £146.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • *I enclose a deposit payment of £30 (Cheques payable to Chelmsford County High School) • *I have paid via Parent Pay <p align="right"><i>*delete as appropriate</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I do not want my daughter to take part in the French/Biology Study Visit to France from Friday 25th June to Saturday 26th June 2010. I understand that she must attend school as normal on Friday 25th June 2010.</p> <p>Daughter's name:Form:</p> <p>Signed: Date:..... ..</p> <p align="center">Parent/Guardian</p>	<p align="center">Year 7 French/Biology Study Visit to France 25th - 26th June 2010</p> <p>Name:</p> <p>Form: 7</p> <p>Date:</p> <p>Received: £30</p>			
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CHELMSFORD COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS
PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM - VISITS ABROAD

Please complete both sides of this form in full

A. I grant permission for my daughterof Form
to be part of the group from Chelmsford County High School undertaking the
following visit:

ITINERARY: FRENCH AND BIOLOGY STUDY VISIT TO FRANCE

DATE OF DEPARTURE : 25th June 2010 **DATE OF RETURN:** 26th June 2010

METHOD(S) OF TRAVEL: Coach and Ferry

FOR THE PURPOSES OF: Cross-curricular work in French and Biology,
experiencing French culture and practising the language.

B. PERSONAL DETAILS

Daughter's Date of Birth/...../.....

Home Address.....
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Home Telephone Number

Emergency Telephone Number and Name of Contact.....
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C. PASSPORT DETAILS

Daughter's Full Name as it appears on her Passport

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Place of birth.....Nationality.....

Passport NumberExpiry Date.....

Place of Issue

Please complete and sign the reverse of this form

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D. INSURANCE AND MEDICAL DETAILS

1. My daughter has applied for/ is in possession of an EHIC Card.

2. I understand that insurance cover has been taken out, covering the following:

- 1. Cancellation - e.g. due to illness.
- 2. Medical expenses while abroad.
- 3. Personal Accident.
- 4. Loss of personal effects and money.

3. DIETARY REQUIREMENTS (Vegetarian/Religious/Serious food allergies/

Medical diets

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4. DETAILS OF PRE-EXISTING ILLNESS OR HEALTH CONDITION (e.g. which requires medication to be taken)

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5. In the event of sudden illness or accident, I give permission for the teacher(s) in charge to authorise such treatment as is considered necessary at the time.

Signed..... Date/...../.....

Mother/Father/Guardian