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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 10 Trip to the Loire Valley and Le Futuroscope

I am planning on taking a group of Year 10 students to the Loire Valley and *Le Futuroscope*, a Media and New Technologies Park in Poitiers, France, on a four-day trip from **Friday 21st June to Monday 24th June 2024**.

This is an interesting trip that I have undertaken in previous years and is a great experience for the Year 10 classes. The visit allows students to use their French in a wide variety of situations and to find out about a range of topics covered in the GCSE exam. They will also be able to talk about their experience in their final oral examination. Students will be assigned a range of different tasks during the weekend focusing on specific topic areas and building their confidence. There will also be time set aside each day for feedback and informal language lessons.

During our trip we will stay in the hotel in the park. The students will sleep in rooms of 4 with staff located nearby. All the rooms are equipped with an en-suite bathroom. The meals will be provided by the hotel for dinner and we will eat in the park at lunch time in one of their restaurants. We will also have a day trip to visit Chateau de Chenonceau which is one of the most impressive and interesting chateaux in the Loire Valley.

The trip will cost between **£465** and **£500**; the final cost will be confirmed when we have exact numbers for the trip but will not exceed £500. The cost includes full board, accommodation, travel (by coach) and all excursions. The students should need no more than a few Euros per day spending money in addition to this.

If you wish your son or daughter to take part in the trip, the reply slip below should be handed in to Reception, together with a non-refundable deposit of **£120 by Friday 20th October 2023**. A further payment of **£200** will need to be paid by **Friday 2nd February 2024**. The final payment will be due by **Friday 12th April 2024**.

We would ask you to use the online payment system to pay for this if possible. If you have already created an online account, please use this as normal. If you have not already created an account, you should have received a letter with your pupil link code and guidance on creating the account. If you need a copy of this, please email finance@edgbarrowschool.co.uk for a copy. If you do not use online banking, or prefer to pay by cheque, please would you make the cheque payable to Edgbarrow School and write your child's name and 'Year 10 Futuroscope trip' on the back.

We are keen to support all pupil participation in school visits and do not wish for any child to be disadvantaged due to financial hardship. Should you have any concerns or queries regarding the voluntary payment for this trip, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Pyke, Business Manager, who will be happy to help you. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence. As you will understand without the appropriate financial contributions the visit may not take place.

Students must hold a current passport, which must be valid for at least 6 months after the date of our return. Please note that for non-British nationals you will need to check visa requirements for entering France and re-entering the UK, and organise the required visas if necessary.

If you have any questions about the visit, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



Mrs K Bransfield
Head of Languages

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REPLY SLIP: Year 10 Trip to France, 21st to 24th June 2024

Please return to School Office by 20th October 2023

Name of student Tutor group

I would like my son/daughter to take part in the trip to France in June 2024 and agree to pay a non-refundable deposit of **£120**

Payment made online* ☐

Cash ☐

Cheque ☐

Use credit from previous trip refunded online ☐

Signed Date
(Parent/Carer)

Cheques should be made payable to Edgbarrow School with “*Year 10 Futuroscope trip*” and your child’s name written on the reverse

*Please do not return this reply slip until payment has been made online