



STROUD-ANCENIS EXCHANGE

Modern Languages Departments

Stroud High School
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Thursday 1 February 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are now in a position to be able to give you the final details about the UK leg of this year's French Exchange. We hope that you and your son/daughter are looking forward to welcoming their partner to this area and giving them an insight into life in Britain.

The dates of the French group's visit will be from Tuesday 13 March to Thursday 22 March inclusive. The programme of visits and activities is attached. Please note carefully the evening arrival times and places as they vary from day to day. On all days apart from the London trip day the French students will be able to come into school at the normal time with their British partner where they will meet as a group with their teachers until they depart for their day trip.

Getting your son or daughter's partner to and from school is the responsibility of the host family. As far as contract buses are concerned, we have contacted Shire Hall office to inform them of the visit but you should check with the relevant coach company that there will be space or make alternative arrangements. Spaces on some routes are very limited.

On the day of departure it is expected that all British students will be walking back to school as a group supervised by staff. If you are making other arrangements for your son/daughter you must inform us in writing at least 48 hours earlier.

Please find attached a safeguarding document which we must ask you to complete and return to Miss Claydon or Mrs Bedford by 09/02/18.

Details of how to contact British staff outside of the school day in case of emergency and French staff details are also attached. If you have any questions regarding hosting please don't hesitate to contact either of us at our respective schools.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs H Bedford and Miss S Tapscott

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Information notes for Parents and Participants : UK Leg March 2018

Transport

Host families are responsible for providing transport for their guest to and from school or work placement. Please contact the relevant school transport operator if necessary. This may mean paying an extra bus fare. We strongly advise against allowing French pupils to cycle, except with the approval of their staff.

Food and Packed Lunches

For each trip out of school, your guest will require a packed lunch. On the days in school, please see the arrangements listed in the itinerary below. Please note that for the London trip and the return trip, the French students will require TWO packed lunches (lunch and dinner).

Illness

If your French guest is ill, particularly if medical attention is required, please contact one of the French staff. They will have full details of any allergies or other medical conditions of which the doctor should be made aware. If your guest is unable to attend school, please notify one of the French staff.

School

Students are reminded that both school sites are non-smoking zones. Pupils should also note that on no account should they congregate on the road in Beards Lane or around either school entrance before or after school as this can cause an obstruction for traffic. Finally, please check itinerary times and collection points carefully.

Emergencies

During the school day please telephone a school office and leave a message (numbers above). At other times contact one of the French staff or if that proves impossible please use the numbers given below.

Weekends and Evenings

Please expect the same standards of behaviour from your French guest as you would of your own child. Whilst you will obviously want to make an effort to entertain your guest, you should not feel that normal family routine has to be disrupted. Any group activity (party, disco, etc.) MUST be supervised by adults and there should be NO ALCOHOL permitted. If you wish to take your guest away for the weekend or overnight, you must inform the French staff in advance, giving details of where you may be contacted including a telephone number.

E mail contacts:

stapscott@stroudhigh.gloucs.sch.uk

Holly.Bedford@marling.gloucs.sch.uk

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Itinerary

Tuesday March 13th	Arrival at Stratford Park Leisure Centre top car park around 16.45 TBC
Wednesday March 14th	Y9 Meet in school at 8.40 . Day in school and in Stroud town centre. Leave school at 3.25 to travel home with partner. Packed lunch required. Y12 work experience
Thursday March 15th	Y9 Meet in school at 8.40 . Trip to Bristol to see @Bristol and the SS Great Britain. Return to SPLC for 17.00 . Packed lunch required. Y12 work experience
Friday March 16th	Y9 Meet in school at 8.40 . Trip Black Country Museum. Return to SPLC car park for 18.00 . Packed lunch required. Y12 work experience
Weekend	With families.
Monday March 19th	Y9 and Y12 Meet at SPLC at 7.15 for a full day trip to London along with the y12 students. Return to SPLC for 21.00 . Cirencester pick up and drop off (7.40 and 20.30) available if requested in advance . 2 packed meals required.
Tuesday March 20th	Y9 Meet in school at 8.40 . Students will spend today at school finishing their project work and taking a tour of the school. Lunch in school with partner (make the same arrangements as for your own son or daughter.) Leave school at 3.25 to travel home with partner. Y12 work experience
Wednesday March 21st	Y9 Meet in school at 8.40 . Trip to Cardiff. Return to SPLC car park for 18.00 . Packed lunch required. Y12 work experience
Thursday March 22nd	Meet at Stratford Park Leisure Centre at 8.15 for a prompt departure at 8.45. 2 packed meals required. SHS and Marling students will then be able to walk back to school supervised as a group by trip staff.

STAFF CONTACT DETAILS FOR EMERGENCIES:

Mrs H Bedford	07737 398251	Holly.bedford@marling.gloucs.sch.uk
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