



Friday 2 May

Dear Parents/Carers,

Information for parents Paris 2025

The Paris trip is now only seven weeks away. Please find some important information in preparation for this exciting trip.

Departing NLS - All students attending the trip will need to arrive promptly at **5.00am on Friday 13 June**. We will have three coaches that will take us from NLS to Chateau de Grande Romaine. We will be travelling by ferry for part of the journey (travel sickness tablets at the ready!), which will give students an opportunity to stretch their legs and purchase some refreshments or eat their packed lunch. Dinner will be provided at the chateau on the Friday evening.

Departing Chateau de Grande Romaine - We will return to NLS at approximately **9.30pm on Monday 16 June**. We will send a group call an hour before our expected return time. We will also inform you of any delays that we incur immediately.

Accommodation - Students are accommodated in 4-8 bedded rooms, all en-suite with shower and toilet facilities. All rooms are lockable with card key (party leader given master key). All exterior doors and gates are locked at night. A PGL staff member is available on duty throughout the night. The extensive facilities (other than activity bases) are available to our group during their free time.

Catering and Dietary Needs - Breakfast is continental style with a choice of cereals, bread, butter and jam plus hot and cold drinks. A packed meal is provided for lunchtime, students will prepare their own sandwiches at breakfast, and with water, crisps, fruit and cake or biscuits. Dinner is a self-service two course meal. At each evening meal the buffet includes a salad bar and mixed fruit basket plus hot and cold drinks. There is always a vegetarian option for those students who have already been identified on ParentPay. PGL caterers can deal with most dietary requirements but please ensure that I am aware of any unusual dietary requirements as soon as possible.

Travel - En-route stops are made throughout the journey for toilets refreshment and meal breaks. We suggest that parents/carers supply picnics, snacks etc. for the outward journey. Regular stops will be made en-route, but service areas can be expensive. Students will need Euros for stops abroad. There will be space for one piece of luggage (cabin sized) per person plus a small piece of hand luggage. Please ensure that students plan their packing so that everything they need on the journey is taken on board at the outset.

Kit list - suitable nightwear, underwear, t-shirts, trainers, shorts / light trousers, sun hat / baseball cap, light jacket (waterproof), sweatshirt, washbag, towel, sun cream, watch, small rucksack for days out, bottle for water, food and drink for the journey to France, pocket money, any personal medication.

FAQs - PGL includes insurance cover organised through travel insurance specialists. All clothing should be marked with the student's name and school. Brand new and expensive items should be left at home. Pocket money - It is very much up to you. As a guide, a figure of £5.00 - £10.00 per day would be reasonable (please note that Euros are required).

Students are responsible for the safety of any electrical appliances brought to centre. The Centre Manager reserves the right to ask for appliances not to be used if they appear to be unsafe. Please

bring a European adaptor. Deodorants - It is advised that children bring roll-on deodorants rather than aerosol deodorants as these can often set off fire alarms.

Mobile phones – Please remember to check the roaming charges of your child and consider that there may not be Wi-Fi access at times. Students will be able to use their phone during the trip however, we expect minimal use for communication and more use when taking photos of the sights. Students must gain permission from other students before they take a photo and are not to take photos of staff. No photos are to be posted to social media during the trip or after. The responsibility for having a phone is with the student please ensure your own insurance covers any loss or damage.

During the trip to Disney, students will be given an opportunity to explore the park in groups of four or more. At scheduled times during the day they will inform the trip leads (Miss Jones and Mrs McBride) of the time, location and individuals present in their group at that time.

Money – Disney is a cashless venue. We recommend that students have prepaid cards.

Passports and EHIC/GHIC cards – a reminder these must be with staff in advance of the trip. If you are not intending on travelling abroad before the trip please hand them into Mrs Barley-Morey as soon as possible. Please also ensure that you have checked the requirements if your child holds a non-British passport.

Parent Pay: Please make sure that you have completed your GP information on Parent Pay.

Medical Needs: In terms of medicine, parents/ carers must acquaint themselves with the policy here: [Link to Policy on Supporting Students with Medical Needs](#).

Please ensure that you have completed the student medical need form if your child is bringing medication with them that requires a member of staff to administer it or if the medication is prescribed. If you haven't completed a form then please do so using the attached document, page 6, and return to me by 16 May. If you need a paper copy of the form please ask me or your child can collect from the Year Leads office.

Parents/ carers will need to ensure they pass on all medicines (prescription or over-the-counter ones) detailed on the form, when they arrive at school on the morning of the trip before we depart.

Please note that NLS and PGL will not take responsibility for any loss or damage to property. The purpose of the trip is to have experiences that allow them to improve their communication skills with a range of different people, be social with each other and build positive friendships. Inappropriate phone use and behaviour will be dealt with as it would in school.

The School mobile number whilst in Paris will be: 07557 566050. This number is for any emergencies only.

We are all looking forward to this trip, in the meantime if you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Sarah Barley-Morey
AHT Y8 Year Lead