

March 2024

To the Parent/Guardian of:

Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to invite you to a pre-trip parental and student information evening for the Germany/Belgium trip taking place in July.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday 1 May 2024 at 6pm in the main school hall.

At the meeting, you will receive all information for the trip, including a detailed itinerary and have an opportunity to ask any questions. Furthermore, we will be starting the process of allocating student rooms in preparation for the confirmed rooming allocation being sent from the travel company. If you are unable to attend the meeting, an itinerary will be sent home with students after the meeting.

Please can I ask that you check the dates on <u>both the student's passport and EHIC/GHIC card</u> to ensure these are still valid. Passports are required to have 3 months validity before the expiry date. Both of these documents will be collected in school in June – information on collection dates will be given at the information evening.

If your son/daughter does not yet have their EHIC/GHIC card, please find details of this below:

<u>GHIC cards</u> – due to the UK leaving the EU, EHIC cards have been replaced by GHIC cards. As a school, we are asking that all students travel with a valid GHIC card to ensure that anyone requiring medical assistance is covered by both the GHIC card and our travel insurance. If any student still has a valid EHIC, then these can still be used. GHIC cards are free and can be applied for via the NHS website. The website link is:

https://services.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/cra/start

Finally, can I remind you that payment for the trip must be <u>paid in full</u> by <u>Friday 12 April 2024</u>.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you have any questions regarding the visit.

Yours sincerely

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