

Paris and Disney 2024

Overview

- We will travel via coach, which will leave Mount Carmel at 10pm on Monday 8th July and return at midnight on Saturday 13th July
- We will be staying at Campus St Therese Ouest for four nights
- Pupils will visit the beach, spend two days at Disneyland Paris and one day in the centre of Paris
- Due to pupils leaving late on the Monday night, **they will not be required to attend school on Monday 8th July.**

Packing

- An equipment list has been sent home with pupils (if you would like another, please just let us know)
- Pupils should bring a suitcase no bigger than cabin size and a rucksack for the journey
- In their travel rucksack, pupils need to bring clothing that is appropriate for the beach and a towel or something to sit on as they will not have access to their suitcase at this time
- Pupils must bring a refillable water bottle
- A travel pillow for the journey is recommended
- Pupils may wish to bring a power bank to charge their mobile phone

Itinerary

Monday 8 th July	10pm: Depart Mount Carmel for the port of Dover
Tuesday 9 th July	Continue travel to France. Ferry crossing time TBC. Stop at the beach in France on the way to the accommodation
Wednesday 10 th July	Full day at Disneyland Paris
Thursday 11 th July`	Day in Paris See the Sacre Coeur, Notre Dame and the Eiffel Tower. Pupils will sightsee via the Batobus boat and will be given some free time to shop on the Champs Elysees.
Friday 12 th July	Full day at Disneyland Paris
Saturday 13 th July	Travel throughout the day and arrive back at Mount Carmel at 12am. Ferry crossing time TBC.

Safety

- We are providing pupils with a t shirt and hoody with the school branding on it. Pupils will be required to wear this when on the journey to and from France and when at Disney.
- If you wish for your child to have an additional t shirt, please order this at the end of the meeting.
- Pupils must be dressed appropriately throughout the visit.
- If pupils have a phone, we will take their number at the beginning of the trip and they will be given a sticker with the staff phone number.
- Due to the elections taking place on the 7th July and the potential for unrest, we have made arrangements for a Plan B in the event that we consider travelling into the centre of Paris to be unsafe.

Contingency plan for Thursday 12th July

- If we do not deem it appropriate for pupils to visit the centre of Paris, they will visit an alternative attraction instead.
- This will likely be the Palace of Versailles, however this is TBC.

Money

- Pupils should bring no more than the equivalent of £250.
- Staff will act as a 'bank' each morning and pupils will choose what they wish to take out for the day.
- Some pupils may wish to take money on a debit card, as many outlets are now cash free (e.g. the ferry). Please note that pupils will be responsible for managing their own money if this is the case and they may incur foreign transaction fees.

Food

- Parents/ carers are required to provide a packed lunch or money for their child to purchase lunch on the first day and money for their lunch and dinner on the return journey home.
- All meals will be provided at the accommodation.
- Pupils will need to bring a minimum of 10 Euro contribution towards a meal of their choice when at Disney and out in Paris.
- All dietary requirements as per the medical forms have been given to the accommodation.

Medication

- If a pupil requires medication, these must be given to Mrs Lowe on the Friday before departure.
- This must be clearly labelled with the child's name, dosage and the time of day that this should be taken.
- Enough medication must be provided for the duration of the visit + 4 days.
- Please inform a member of staff if you wish for your child to opt of being given paracetamol should they require it.

Acting in Loco Parentis

- Throughout the visit, staff will be acting 'in loco parentis' and therefore will make decisions in the best interests of the pupils
- Staff will only contact parents when necessary- no news is good news!
- If outdoor activities are impacted by exceptionally hot weather, we may need to change or shorten these activities to limit sun exposure. Decisions made by staff, such as requiring pupils to apply more sunscreen, wear a T-shirt, or a sun hat, may not always be popular with the pupils. However, staff need parents' support.
- Group leaders will keep a register of all pupils to ensure they regularly apply water-resistant sunscreen to all exposed areas if the leader identifies the day or activity as a potential risk.
- Parents of pupils with particularly sensitive or fair skin, or those with medical conditions, should discuss any special measures needed for their child with the trip leader during the meeting.
- There will be daily contact between the trip leader and the base contact to discuss the trip and address any issues, including weather-related concerns, to provide additional advice and guidance.

Any questions?