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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing with a few updates/reminders regarding the Y8 visit to France.

The visit will leave school just after midnight on Friday 7th June 2024 and return to school on Monday 10th June 2024, sometime in the evening. We will meet at school very late on the Thursday evening (6th June 2024) and travel through the night to Folkestone to catch the Eurotunnel early on the Friday morning. Students will therefore miss school on the Friday and the Monday.

Children will need the following things for their stay at the Chateau:

- A sleeping bag, a towel and a pillow. These are not provided by the accommodation. Hopefully, the weather will be very warm so students may prefer to take a single duvet cover which they can sleep inside. Last year many students found sleeping bags to be too warm, so this is a better option and is easier to pack!

I will share a list closer to our departure with suggested items students can also pack depending on the weather. Our nearest big town is Le Touquet so you may want to keep track on various weather apps in advance of our departure. There is no set kit list, however we will be spending a day visiting various WW1 and 2 memorials. It is important students dress appropriately and respectfully on this day.

As stated in the initial letter children should travel using their own passport and you must ensure that there is at least 6 months validity left on the passport from our departure date.

Children will also need a Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC) this replaces the old EHIC. This is free and can be applied for at the following link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/>

I will hold a full parent meeting a few weeks before departure, where I will go over the full itinerary, travel, rooming, pocket money, what to pack and any other questions you may have.

Please contact me at school if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

S. Barker

Mrs S Barker
Trip Leader/Strategic Lead for MFL.

