

Orchards Junior School



Year 6 Trip to Paris and Disney 21st - 23rd May 2018

Dear Parents

We are now in a position to invite you to pay a deposit for the Year 6 trip to Paris and Disney.

As we discussed at the meeting, the trip will take place over three days, leaving school on Monday 21st May in the morning and returning on Wednesday 23rd May in the evening. The basic itinerary will be as follows:

- Day 1 Pick up by coach from school in the morning. Travel to Dover and then by ferry across to Calais. Drive to the Nausicaa Sea Life Centre in Boulogne where we will spend a couple of hours and then have our evening meal at McDonalds in Boulogne. Arrive at the Kyriad Disneyland Hotel (only 2km from the park) just outside Paris at 21:30h.
- Day 2 Full day at Disneyland Park including lunch followed by our evening meal and show at Buffalo Bills Wildwest Show. We return to the park after dinner for more rides, shopping and spectacular firework display.
- Day 3 Drive by coach into the centre of Paris for a short tour of the major sights ending at the Eiffel Tower. From here we will enjoy a one hour cruise on the River Seine, followed by a picnic lunch. We will eat dinner on the ferry home and aim to arrive back at school at 2100h.

Every child at The Orchards is given opportunities to enhance their day to day learning, and many of these take place with no cost to yourselves. This trip is an exciting residential opportunity for your child, which we think offers them a unique experience. There is a financial cost involved and the school could not afford to offer this without agreement from you to meet this cost. We are happy to have a discussion with you to negotiate an instalment plan that suits you, rather than our proposed one. If a family is in receipt of specific benefits which mean that your child is eligible for a free school meal, there will be charges that can be waived. If you wish to speak to Dr Jones in confidence about the entitlement please do not hesitate to contact him to arrange an appointment. Please be aware that your child will require a passport, which parents will be required to fund.

However, any agreed payment schedule must be adhered to in order to secure your child's place on this trip and the full deposit must be paid for a place to be allocated.

The total cost of the trip that has increased only slightly since last year is £290 and the payment schedule will be:

£100 deposit no later than FRIDAY 29th SEPTEMBER - THIS WILL BE NON-REFUNDABLE
£100 due by Thursday 30th November
£50 due by Friday 26th January
£40 due by Friday 23rd February

We cannot hold places without a deposit, and once places are filled names will be put on a waiting list. After the deposit is paid the system we operate at The Orchards is that we issue a payment record card which we send home with the children. We ask that this card is sent in with <u>every payment</u> as it is <u>your</u> receipt of money paid in.

If you would like your child to be included on this trip, please complete the reply slip below and send it into the school office along with the deposit payment of $\pounds 100$, which is non-refundable.

We will be holding a meeting in the spring of 2018 giving you final details about the trip.





So that you have lots of time to get these items we are letting you know that:

- Each child will need to have their own valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). This should be free of charge and calling 0845 606 2030 or online at www.ehic.org.uk. will give you application details. This card must be in school no earlier than Monday 23rd April and no later than Friday 27th April.
- Each child will also need their own passport. Please do not leave this until the last minute, child passports can take some time to process. Passport application forms can be collected from Post Offices. The charge for a first time application of a child passport is currently £46 by post, or £55.75 using the Post Office Passport Check & Send service. Please check the date of an existing passport as we understand it must have 6 months left from the time of travel to the expiry date. A valid passport must be in school no earlier than Monday 23rd April and no later than Friday 27th April.

We do hope that you will want to support this trip.

Yours sincerely.

Mrs McCarthy, Ms Cay & Year 6 Team

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I have read the above conditions and enclose my <u>non-refundable deposit</u> of £100. Cheques should be made payable to Orchards Junior School. (Please enclose this IN AN ENVELOPE, with this reply slip, and return to Mr Chilver's office.

I understand that my child will need their own Passport and EHIC and these will be in school no earlier than Monday 23rd April and no later than Friday 27th April 2018.

Signed parent/guardian