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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: Study Visit to Lyon July 2023

I am delighted to be able to offer a visit for students who study French who are currently in years 10 and 12. This visit will take place from **Monday 17th – Friday 21st July 2023** and will be to France's UNESCO world heritage city of Lyon. The total cost for the week will not exceed £740 and the final amount will be dependent on the number of participants. The visit will be organised through Halsbury Travel and will include:

- Transfers to and from school
- Full cover insurance
- Return flights including 23 kg of hold luggage
- Full board accommodation in host families who have been checked and approved through the tour operator (staying in pairs as a minimum) – meals will include the evening meal on the first day through to lunch on the last day with the families.
- Twelve hours of language lessons for the week, which will take place in the morning at the Language school in Lyon in closed groups.
- Afternoon excursions will include a Guided walking tour of Lyon, visit to Musée des Confluences and the Parc Tête d'or, a boat trip, a chocolate tasting workshop and a visit to Lyon Zoo.

The trip will provide an invaluable opportunity for students to experience French culture as well as to enhance their linguistic development and confidence. The visit is open to all students who will be studying French at the date of the trip. Should applications exceed the number of places, priority will be given to 6th form students. Participation for all students is dependent on the correct study skills in school and the adherence to the school ethos. As students will be staying in host families the highest levels of behaviour will be expected.

In order to have an opportunity to secure a place for your child you will need to provide a deposit of £170 payable via ParentPay by Saturday 26th November 2022 and have also provided your consent via Evolve. For families who find it difficult to contribute, requests for financial assistance should be emailed to finance@langton.kent.sch.uk in confidence by Friday 18th November. Unfortunately, this deposit is non-refundable unless the trip does not run or if it is oversubscribed and you do not get a place. There will be a further payment of £170 six weeks after booking. A schedule will be provided for the remainder of the payments.

A valid passport is required: British travellers to the EU from 1st January 2021 must have a minimum of three months' validity remaining for travel to Europe. Students holding a non-British or non-EU-member passport may be required to apply for a Schengen area visa to enter France.

There are currently no restrictions for entry into France in response to coronavirus. However, it is possible that these requirements may alter within the next 9 months.

Please feel free to contact me in school if you require any clarification at this stage at: lstyles@langton.kent.sch.uk

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Louise Styles". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mrs L Styles
French Subject Leader