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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to invite your son/daughter to take part in our exciting study trip to the Opal Coast in 2019! We will stay in St Omer, a delightful town in the North of France about an hour away from Calais. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to experience French culture, improve their language skills, build confidence and make memories of a lifetime.

The dates for our visit to St Omer are from Sunday 31st March to Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Whilst in France we will stay in the Château of Ebbingham, a rural farm house especially designed with school groups in mind. In order to practise their language skills, pupils will participate in various activities such as making pancakes, buying ingredients and cooking their own meal. They will also visit a chocolate factory and sample freshly made bread at the local bakery. They will do cheese tasting at the Montcarvel goat farm and explore the town of Boulogne with a treasure trail. Throughout the stay pupils will have the chance to interact with native speakers whilst recording their experience in their travelling journal.

Perhaps the highlight of the trip is our visit to la Coupole: once a launching base to the V2 rocket, it is now a World War 2 museum and houses a 3D planetarium, showing the link between history and science.

The cost of the visit to St Omer is £480 to cover the transport, full board accommodation, insurance and all trips whilst in France. Financial assistance may be available for those in need. Please contact me for further details. I anticipate the payment schedule to be as follows:

£150 deposit by Thursday 15 November

£150 by 15<sup>th</sup> January

£180 by 15<sup>th</sup> February

The trip is open to French students in years 8 and 9. There are 40 places on the trip. Should the demand exceed the number of places available then names will be put in a draw for fairness. In addition, school behaviour records may be consulted to inform allocations of places.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in the trip, please fill in the reply slip below along with a cheque for a non-returnable deposit of £150 (with pupil's name and form on the reverse) and return to Lower Site Office by Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November. If your child is successful in securing a place, you will be notified by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mr R. Glew

Head of Languages

I would like my son / daughter to take part in the Frenchstudy trip to St Omer in March 2019.

I enclose £ \_\_\_\_\_.

Cheques should be made to Bridgewater High School with your child's name and form on the reverse.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

French class \_\_\_\_\_



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