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Year 10 French Trip to Montpellier Saturday 20th June to Friday 26th June 2020

I am writing to offer the Year 10 French students the opportunity to take part in a residential language trip to the town of Montpellier in the South of France. This six-day trip will take place in June 2020, organised for us by Halsbury Travel.

During the trip, pupils will have three hours of French tuition every morning at a language school in a charming old building right in the centre of the town. They will be taught in groups according to their linguistic competence, by teachers who are all native speakers. In the afternoons, various activities will be arranged for the students, including trips to Avignon and Nîmes, where they will visit the remains of the Roman town, have a cookery lesson and of course a visit to the town of Montpellier. The students will spend the evenings with their host families where we hope to place two students with each family.

I believe our Year 10 students will benefit greatly from this trip and should grow in confidence both when speaking and writing in French; this will be an enormous boost leading up to the IGCSE examination. This trip runs simultaneously with a similar language trip for Spanish and it may well be that your son/daughter studies both languages. In this case, we would advise you opt for the trip, the language of which your son/daughter is most likely to continue studying beyond GCSE.

I must stress that this is a study trip. There will be leisure activities for the students in the afternoons; however, they will have to study their French intensively in the mornings and make the effort to speak to their host family as much as possible in order to make the most of this learning opportunity.

We will let you know the definite times of the flights in due course. **We expect to be leaving on Saturday 20th June, returning the following Friday.** A full passport, European Health Insurance Card and medical clearance will be prerequisites of participation. **Overseas students would need to make their own provision for any necessary visas.**

The cost of this trip will be approximately **£900**, including flights, full board with a host family, tuition and afternoon trips or activities, as well as return travel to Gatwick Airport. This price depends, however, on the number of pupils participating in the trip.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in this trip, please register your interest initially by returning the electronic reply slip to me by Friday 17th January with a non-refundable deposit of £200. This will enable the flights to be booked in good time.

Once we have an overview of the registered students we will send you a letter with a preliminary itinerary and details of the balance to be paid.

If you have any further questions about this trip, please email me at didierdescamps@leightonpark.com

With best wishes

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Please complete the electronic reply slip by Friday 17th January 2020
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Student Name:Tutor Group:

I give permission for to attend the **Montpellier Trip Saturday 20th June to Friday 26th June 2020**

Payment of £200.00 has been made:

by cheque (made payable to Leighton Park Trust)

by bank transfer (reference Montpellier Trip and students name,
a/c 00575313, sort code 20-71-29)

Contact number for the duration of the trip:

Details of any allergies/medical conditions staff/host families should be aware of:

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Details of any dietary requirements staff/host families should be aware of:

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Preference, if any, for the pairing of pupils in host families:

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Any additional information or requirements that should be passed on to the host family:

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Passport details required by the airline (as written on passport)

First name: Last Name:

Date of birth: Nationality:

Passport Number: Date of Issue:

Expiry date: Country of issue:

Age on date of departure:

Signed (Parent/Guardian)

Dated.....