



October 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Paris Trip Sunday 12 July – Thursday 16 July 2026

The Languages Department is delighted to be able to offer 48 of our Year 10 students the opportunity to visit Paris as part of Kings' Enrichment programme from Sunday 12 July to Thursday 16 July 2026.

Our intended itinerary will allow us to visit several locations in central Paris as well as spending some time exploring other sites. Please note this may be subject to some changes dependent on final numbers and booking availability. A possible itinerary could be as below:

Day One: Sunday 12 July

Coach to depart school 5am. Coach travel to Dover. DFDS ferry crossing Dover to Calais with lunch on board (not included). Pizzeria dinner (included) en route to early evening arrival at our accommodation, an [Ibis hotel on the outskirts of Paris](#).

Day Two: Monday 13 July

Breakfast (included), departure for guided visit of **Stade de France**. Picnic lunch (included) before heading to the Montmartre area of Paris for a visit to the **Sacre Cœur Basilica** and the picturesque **Place du Tertre** where street artists can be seen working. There will be an opportunity to visit the souvenir shops and cafés. Onwards to **Arc de Triomphe** and a stroll along the **Champs Elysees**. Dinner (included) at a nearby restaurant. Evening cruise along the **Seine in a Bateau Mouche**.

Day Three: Tuesday 14 July (French National Day)

Breakfast (included), departure for day at [Parc Asterix](#) (theme park). Dinner (included) en route back to hotel.

Day Four: Wednesday 15 July

Breakfast (included), departure for [Auvers-sur-Oise](#) – the Impressionists' Village, associated with Monet, Sisley and most famously, Van Gogh. Picnic lunch (included). Afternoon return to central Paris for visit to the **Orangerie** art gallery to see paintings from many of the impressionist painters who worked at Auvers-sur-Oise, and the **Tuileries** Gardens. Evening ascent to the top floor of the **Tour Montparnasse** for panoramic view of Paris. All you can eat buffet supper Flams Montparnasse (included). Coach to the foot of the **Eiffel Tower** and the **Champs de Mars** for the all-important photo opportunity before heading back to the hotel.

Day Five: Thursday 16 July

Breakfast (included) followed by departure for home. Brief stop at **Betises de Cambrai** (sweet factory) for factory tour and last-minute sweet treat souvenir buying in the shop. Picnic lunch (included). Onward travel to Dunkerque for ferry crossing and coach back to Cheddar with ETA 11pm.

The trip will leave the Academy at **approximately 5.00am on Sunday 12 July 2026** and return at approximately **11.00pm on Thursday 16 July 2026**. As the return time is after the end of the school day, it is the responsibility of Parents/Carers to arrange transport home from the Academy.

Students will need to bring suitable clothing and footwear for the listed activities and spending money for snacks and souvenirs. Students will need their own **passports** to travel. Please be careful to ensure the passport meets the current

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criteria advised by the UK Government: the passport needs to have been issued **less than 10 years** before you enter the country and be valid for **at least three months after** the day you plan to leave.

Your child will also need their own Global Health Insurance Card – **GHIC** – which provides free or reduced cost medical cover in Europe. These are free to obtain - [Get healthcare cover for travelling abroad - NHSBSA](#).

The Visit will be covered by the Academy Insurance Policy. Please be aware that:

- Except for visits abroad, insurance arrangements are the same as those for students in the Academy, i.e. only provides cover if negligence is proven or accepted by the Academy and/or its employees.
- You should consider making your own insurance arrangements for personal accident cover for your son/daughter for Academy activities in the UK.
- As parent/carer you have fully understood and are satisfied with the details supplied about the above-mentioned activities. You agree to your son/daughter taking part in it, and know of no medical reason why he/she should not participate.

The total cost of this trip is £630 if all places are filled. Payment for this trip must be made using the My Child At School App. The trip will be available on the My Child At School App **from 8.00am on Friday 10 October**. If the trip is oversubscribed, places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please ensure that we have your up-to-date emergency contact details and any relevant medical information for your child, as this information is taken from our school database. Payments are non-refundable. Should your child withdraw from the trip, we are only able to offer a refund if their place can be filled by another student.

The payment schedule for the deposit and remaining balance is as follows:

Date Due by:	Amount	Total
Friday 10 October 2025	£250	
Friday 30 January 2026	£190	
Friday 6 March 2026	£190	
		£630

As with all Academy trips, students will be expected to uphold the reputation of the Academy and, therefore, exceptional behaviour is expected at all times throughout the trip and in the lead up to the trip. All enrichment activities have a short meeting prior to the date of travel. The date and time of the meeting is circulated via tutors and Bromcom. It is essential all students attend these. If you have any queries about the trip please do not hesitate to contact the Academy on 01934 742608 or office@kowessex.co.uk

Yours sincerely

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