

27 September 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

***Year 8 and 9 trip to Château du Tertre, PGL in Normandy,
5 – 8 July 2019***

We plan to take a group of Year 8 and Year 9 pupils to France for a short residential visit from Friday 5th to Monday 8th July 2019. We will stay at the Château du Tertre which is a PGL centre in Normandy. A combination of on-site activities (e.g. archery, climbing, orienteering etc.) and local excursions will be offered.

The exact itinerary is not yet finalised but will certainly include a visit to the market in Fougères where the boys will have the opportunity to practise their French and taste some of the local food. On previous visits boys have, for example, baked croissants at the local bakery, visited goat and cider farms, played mini-golf and taken part in a town trail before ordering drinks in the local café.

In order for the trip to take place, it must be self-financing, and so we invite you to make a contribution of £285* per pupil. This includes:

- Return travel from school (coach and ferry Portsmouth-Caen)
- Full board accommodation
- A full programme of on-site activities
- Cost of admission on arranged visits
- Evening entertainment supervised by PGL staff
- Full comprehensive insurance

The only additional cost will be a little spending money and food for the outward journey.

The pupils will be accompanied by four teachers from Sir Thomas Rich's, including myself. The trip will be organised and run in conjunction with PGL School Tours. If you would like your son to take part, please complete and return the form attached to the **Finance Office**** together with an initial **deposit of £60.00 by Friday 5th October**.

There will be a maximum of **40 places available**. In the case of oversubscription, selection will be on a "names out of the hat" ballot basis. If a place becomes available at a later date, a further name will be selected from the hat. Once your son's place on this trip has been confirmed, I will write again with further details of our itinerary, a medical consent form for completion and of the schedule for further payments.

I hope your son will consider taking part in this trip. I am confident that it will be an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Yours faithfully

Alex Gregory (Head of French)

**Parents on low incomes and in receipt of certain benefits (see School's Charging and Remission Policy) may contact the School for support in meeting the cost. If parents are unable to make the contribution their child will not necessarily be excluded from the visit but it may be cancelled if there are insufficient voluntary contributions.*

*** open to students at break times and lunch time only.*



Sir Thomas Rich's School: Consent - Off-site Visits (inc. personal & medical information)

TRIP
LEADER:

AJG

The information being collected on this form is important to ensure that appropriate care and support is available for your child on school visits. We handle all data you provide to us in line with Data Protection Legislation and our own Data Protection Policy.

Description and date of visit:

*Château du Tertre, PGL in Normandy,
5 – 8 July 2019*

Name of student: _____ Form: _____

I wish my child to be considered for a place on the school trip to Normandy

☐ I include a deposit payment of **£60.00 per student**

☐ I have paid online OR

☐ I enclose cash / cheque (**payable to Sir Thomas Rich's School**)

Signature of Parent: _____ Date: _____

IF YOU WISH TO WITHDRAW YOUR CONSENT, PLEASE CONTACT trips@strs.org.uk.

Thank you.