

17<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Dear Parent/Carer



**Etone College MFL trip – July 2022**

There have been a number of queries about what travel restrictions may be in place when we travel to Germany in July this year. As I am sure you will appreciate, it is a rapidly changing situation and the restrictions are liable to change at any time between now and the date of travel.

As things stand, Germany requires all travellers aged 12 and over to be double-vaccinated to enter the country. Travellers must have received their second vaccine at least 14 days prior to arrival in Germany. This would mean no later than Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Current NHS guidance also says that children must allow a minimum of 12 weeks between their first and second vaccinations.

Germany is also requiring travellers who are under 12 to be double-vaccinated to enter the country. Unfortunately, the NHS is not currently offering Covid vaccinations to this age group. In this situation, if your child has been unable to have both vaccinations in time for them to travel to Germany, and this is still a requirement to enter Germany 30 days before the date of travel, you would be covered by Halsbury Travel's Covid guarantee and receive a full refund.

If your child has recently recovered from Covid, and is therefore unable to receive their first and/or second vaccine, and it is still a requirement to be double-vaccinated to enter Germany 30 days before the date of travel, your child would also be covered by Halsbury Travel's Covid guarantee and receive a full refund.

Halsbury's Covid Guarantee would also cover the trip under the following circumstances:

- The FCDO advise against travel to our destination, or a country we have to travel through to reach our destination.
- The DfE advises against overnight residential/overseas school trips to our destination.
- The country we are due to visit does not allow school trips from the UK.
- The country we are visiting, or a country we need to travel through to reach our destination, is on the red travel list.
- Quarantine is required upon returning from the country we are visiting, or a country we need to travel through on our return journey.
- Quarantine is required upon arriving in our destination.
- Local or national lockdown restrictions preventing the group's departure,

**Please note that if your child won't be double-vaccinated due to you/them choosing not to be double-vaccinated, then this will not be covered by Halsbury Travel's Covid guarantee and refunds cannot be issued.**

**Please complete the Microsoft Form available via this link**  
**<https://forms.office.com/r/MBJrtY5Kez> by Friday 25th March.**

For more details of Halsbury Travel's Covid Guarantee, please see: <https://www.halsbury.com/school-travel-resources/halsbury-s-covid-guarantee>

Should you have any queries regarding this letter, please contact Miss Dunkley in school.

Yours faithfully

**Mr I Smith**  
**Headteacher**

