# MFL trip to Normandy 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## What will we discuss tonight?

- Getting there and back
- Accommodation
- What we will see and do
- What to bring
- About our travel company
- Expectations
- Communication
- COVID restrictions





### Getting there and back...

#### Monday I I<sup>th</sup> July 2022

- 01:30 Coach arrives at Etone College
- 02:15 Coach departs from Etone College
- 06:30 Check in at DFDS ferry port, Dover
- 08:00 Depart from Dover
- 11:00 Arrive in Calais (local time)
- 16:45 Arrive at the hotel
- Dinner at the hotel

### Getting there and back...

#### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022

18:30 – Check in at DFDS ferry port, Dunkirk

20:00 – Depart from Dunkirk

21:00 – Arrive in Dover (local time)

01:00 – Arrive at Etone College

### Getting there and back...

- Please drop your child off and pick them up from the main car park outside the leisure centre (01:30 drop off)
- As we are on the coach for a long time we recommend bringing some food, something to drink and some form of <u>sociable</u> entertainment.
- Travel updates will be posted on Twitter.
- Pupils will be asked to contact parents in the event of any delay on the return journey.

## What are we going to do?

- Les Co-Pains bakery
- Snail tasting
- A visit to Caen
- Graindorge Cheese Factory
- Bayeux Tapestry
- Arromanches Landing Beaches
- Arromanches Landing Museum and 360° Cinema
- Juno Landing Beach
- A visit to a traditional French market



## Accommodation

- UNCMT La Closerie de Djinns, Bernières-sur-Mer
- Première Class Bayeux, Bayeux
- This accommodation is on a bed and breakfast basis. Students will receive a continental breakfast each morning and an evening meal but will need to bring some spending money for lunches.
- You need to make sure you bring your own towels.

## Money

- The currency in France is the Euro €
- All accommodation and excursions are already paid for.
- We would advise no more than €20 per day spending money (lunch, souvenirs, public transport).
- It is the students' responsibility to look after their money and budget sensibly.
- A security deposit of €15 will be charged upon arrival and refunded when we leave assuming there has been no damage caused to the hotel.

## What to pack

- The weather in Normandy is similar to the weather in Britain at this time of year.
- It will be warm but it also may rain so students will need to dress accordingly.
- We will be doing a lot of walking so students will need practical and comfortable footwear.
- A raincoat might be a good idea!
- Remember to bring a towel for the hotel.

### Our travel company

• We are using 'Halsbury Travel'



## Covid cover

- Covid insurance is included in the price of the trip. This would cover you for cancellation in case of you being diagnosed with Covid, or for a change in travel restrictions nearer the time.
- If you are aged 12 or over and fully vaccinated, you may enter France by showing your Covid pass (two vaccines is classed as fully vaccinated).
- If you are aged 12 or over and not fully vaccinated, you must show proof of a negative test to enter France. This can be PCR (within 72 hours) or LFT (within 48 hours) but NHS tests are not accepted.
- Anyone under 12 is exempt from Covid restrictions to enter France.

## In the event of an emergency

- Prior to the trip:
  - we follow the latest government travel advice with regards to travelling abroad
  - we have completed a comprehensive risk assessment to review any likely incident
- During the trip:
  - we would follow the advice given by the emergency services
  - ensure that all pupils are safe
  - contact school to inform them of the situation
  - contact parents/carers with updates

### Expectations

- Normal school expectations and sanctions do still apply.
- If you are given an instruction by a member of staff you are expected to follow it – this is to ensure that the trip runs safely and smoothly for everyone involved.

## Phones

- Phones are allowed but they are the students' own responsibility (i.e. lost, roaming charges, data, etc.).
- Students are allowed to take photos of themselves but not of other students/members of the public.
- No music to be played on the coach.
- No use of social media.
- Time will be given each evening to contact parents/carers.
- Any misuse of a phone will result in it being confiscated for the remainder of the trip.

#### Communication

- Students will be given time each evening to call home
- Travel updates and photos will be regularly posted on our department Twitter account (@etone\_mfl)
- Students will be given a staff phone number to call in the case of an emergency

## Passports, EHICs and forms

- Passports will be kept in the school safe from tonight until we leave on Monday I I<sup>th</sup> July.
- If you haven't already completed an EVC consent form, please stay behind to fill one in now.
- It is strongly recommended that you apply for a GHIC card and bring it with you on the day of departure.
- It is your responsibility to ensure that you arrive ready for departure with either your Covid Pass or proof of a negative test.

## Next steps

- If you have brought your child's passport in this evening, please leave it with a member of staff before you go.
- If you have not brought your child's passport in this evening, please can you ensure that it is in school no later than Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June.
- If you have not completed a medical consent form at the start of the year for your child, a member of staff will ask you to complete one now.
- If your child has any medical needs or dietary requirements, please let a member of staff know.

Any questions?