



Charters School

Specialist Sports and Science College

September 2011

Dear Parents/Carers

YEAR 10 HOMESTAY TRIP TO ROUEN

Following a very successful trip in April 2011 the Faculty of Modern Foreign Languages would like to offer current Year 10 GCSE French students an exciting opportunity to participate in a home stay visit to Rouen from Tuesday 26 June to Saturday 30 June 2012. We will be working again with Halsbury to offer a trip tailored to meet the needs of Year 10 GCSE French students at Charters.

The visit promises to be very enjoyable as well as enabling pupils to develop their language skills, confidence, and increase their cultural awareness.

Provisional details are:

- Home stay accommodation with a French family. There are usually 2-3 pupils per family. Families are approved by Halsbury, and are fully briefed on accommodating and encouraging young adults to communicate in French.
- Intensive French language tuition in small groups at the language school delivered by native speakers. Instructors at the college work closely with the French department at Charters to design a course specifically for our pupils and tailor it to the requirements of the GCSE assessments.
- Recreational and cultural activities in the afternoons.
- There will be plenty of opportunities to practise French in real life situations.
- Charters staff will accompany the trip to offer pastoral and linguistic support.

We estimate the cost of the trip at this stage to be £475 per pupil. However this costing also allows for recreational activities and is an approximation. If more than 20 pupils subscribe the cost may be less.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in this exciting new venture, please return the attached consent form to the Returns Box located in Reception by **Monday 3 October** together with a non-refundable deposit of £90 in a sealed envelope, clearly labelled with name and activity. Preferred method of payment is by cheque, payable to RBWM with name, tutor group and activity printed on the reverse. Your deposit will be returned in the event of your son/daughter not being included in the group.

Date of trip:	Tuesday 26 June to Saturday 30 June 2012
Location:	Rouen
Departure from & time:	Tbc
Return to & time:	Tbc
Trip Leader:	Mr S Murray
Staff:Pupil Ratio	1:10
Transport:	Coach
Insurance:	RBWM off-site visits insurance policy
Dress Code:	Tbc
Pupils should bring:	Tbc
Mobile phone policy:	Not allowed
Cost:	Voluntary contribution of £475 <i>(No pupil will be excluded for financial reasons, however the trip cannot run if we do not cover our costs. If you feel unable to make a contribution please contact the Trip Leader in confidence)</i>

In the case of over-subscription for this trip, places will be allocated on the basis of a draw in consultation with the Head of Year.

Thank you for your continued support for Modern Foreign Language learning at Charters and we look forward to receiving your reply.

Yours sincerely

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**CHARTERS SCHOOL
PARENTAL CONSENT FORM**

Please find below information regarding an Off-Site Activity which is planned from Charters School.

Pupil's Name:..... **Tutor Group:**.....

I acknowledge receipt of the information regarding the proposed visit/activity to:

**ROUEN
TUESDAY 26 JUNE TO SATURDAY 30 JUNE 2012**

and consent to my child, named above, participating. I have read the information and agree to his/her taking part in all or any of the activities described therein.

I certify that as far as I am aware my son/daughter is medically fit* to undertake this journey and associated activities and there are no known health reasons why he/she should not do so. I authorise medical treatment to be provided should this be necessary during the course of the visit.

I understand that those supervising my child are in loco-parentis and must exercise a standard of care that would be expected of a reasonable, prudent parent.

I understand that there will not be an adult with a first aid qualification accompanying this visit.

I have ensured that my child understands that it is important for his/her safety and for the safety of the group that any rules and any instructions given by the staff in charge are obeyed. In addition, I understand that Charters School reserves the right not to take any pupils whose behaviour in school is less than satisfactory and likely to therefore jeopardise the safety of the group whilst on this trip.

Please find enclosed our payment of £.....
(Preferred method of payment is by cheque, made payable to RBWM with name and tutor group printed on reverse)

Emergency contact details during the trip:

Name:

Contact No:.....

Relationship to child:.....

*Please give details if your son/daughter suffers from any medical condition, of which, whilst not affecting his/her ability to undertake this off-site visit, you consider the Trip Organiser should be aware and/or is in addition to the signed Medical Consent Form (OA4) already held in School for your child:

Medical Details including any medication (eg Epipen):.....

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(Office Use only: Medical information updated on SIMS)

Signed:.....Parent/Carer Date.....

Please complete and return this consent form with your payment in a sealed envelope, clearly labelled with your child's name, tutor group and proposed activity. Please ask your child to place your reply in the sealed Returns Box in Reception. A separate payment and labelled envelope are required for each trip.