

Our ref NHA/ASP

15 January 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

Challenge Week 2015 – Paris Cancelled but London “City Lights” Extended

Paris

It is with much regret that we have had to cancel this year’s residential trip to cosmopolitan Paris. Those students that have booked for Paris will now have to choose alternative activities for Challenge Week 2015, but will have first refusal to experience Paris in 2016. All deposits will be refunded, or can be transferred to your child’s new activity programme.

London “City Lights”

The good news is that we are extending the London “City Lights” residential **to all students in Year 8**. This four day visit to our capital city is just crammed with activities. We will visit numerous London attractions, including (but not limited to) St Paul’s Cathedral, Trafalgar Square, the Tower of London, 10 Downing Street and the National History Museum. Students will be able to experience the views of London both from the London Eye and an exciting boat trip along the Thames. Night time entertainment will be provided by musicals in the West End and there will be a touch of magic with our Harry Potter Studio Tour.

The journey to London will begin on the train from Liskeard station on Monday 13 July 2015 and we will return on Thursday 16 July 2015 (mode of transport to be confirmed). Our accommodation will be at Bankside House, the university halls of residence owed by the London School of Economics.

The estimated cost of this trip is £390; this includes all transport, food, accommodation and entrance fees. We feel this represents excellent value for money given the range of activities included. Students may bring up to £50 spending money to buy souvenirs and treats. In accordance with current regulations, participation is by voluntary contribution and clearly if insufficient funds are raised in this manner then the trip will not be able to take place. As entrance fees and travel costs may alter between now and July, we will notify you if we need to change the trip cost.

If you wish your child to be considered for the London trip, please indicate on the slip below and return to Student Services with a deposit of £50 by Friday 23 January 2015. This will be non-refundable once your son/daughter has been offered a place. If your son/daughter was previously scheduled to take part in the Paris residential or home programme, your deposit can be transferred.

Ardeche Adventure

Year 9 students that were looking forward to Paris can still experience life in France as there are still a couple of places left on the Ardeche adventure and residential which runs from Friday 10 to Saturday 18 July 2015 and costs £640.



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The stunning location known as the “Grand Canyon of Europe” is in the South of France, averaging 300 days of sunshine a year. The Ardeche River and surrounding area are the perfect location for an introduction to adventurous activities as the Mediterranean climate provides the perfect environment to experience challenges from kayaking to canyoning and caving to high ropes. The highlight of the trip is our two day descent down the gorge, shooting rapids and camping out under the stars at a midpoint bivouac site. This truly is an “Adventure of a Lifetime”.

Home Programme

For those students that opted for Paris but do not want to transfer to the London residential, there are many opportunities for challenge, culture and adventure on our home programme, which can be tailored to each student’s requirements. Please complete the “Challenge Form” to indicate preferences and return to Student Services.

Further Information

There is no need to return the form below unless you are changing the original choices made in November.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us via email: nhaddleton@looe.cornwall.sch.uk

Yours faithfully

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(Please return to Student Services by Friday 23 January 2015)

Student name:Tutor Group

- I would like my child to be considered for the 2015 London “City Lights” residential.
 - I enclose £50 deposit and acknowledge the remaining balance is required before departure. (Cheques should be made payable to Looe Community Academy).
 - Please transfer my £50 deposit from the Paris trip to the London trip.

or

- I would like my child to transfer from the Paris trip to the Ardeche residential (Year 9 only); please transfer my deposit.

or

- I would like my child to transfer from the Paris trip to the home programme and have indicated their choice of activities on the enclosed “Challenge Form”; please refund my deposit.

Signed:Date: