

# Paris Visit 2024



# Who are PGL?



- Our Paris tour has been organised through an educational travel group called PGL.
- PGL is an educational tours company with over 60 years experience in school travel.
- They have an impressive and proven record of success in organising tours for schools and groups.
- Their experience provides us with the reassurance that our trip will be enjoyable, well-organised and educational.

# Who is going on our trip?

- There are 18 children from Gentleshaw
- There are 3 adults travelling with our group.
- Gentleshaw will be joining St John's on their 2nd coach. This is down to the numbers of children going on the trip.
- All 5 schools from the FGT trust will be on the trip.

- All updates on our journey will be communicated to you via Twitter.
- We will be in daily contact with the Academy Office and the FGT Trust Office.
- During the trip we will not be able to communicate to individual parents directly via email.







- The group will be staying at a dedicated PGL centre in Lesigny – 20 miles from the centre of Paris.
- Chateau de Grande Romaine is set in 70 acres of its own grounds.

















- Pupils will be in rooms of 4 or 6.
- All rooms have their own shower and toilet.
- All of the children's rooms will be adjacent to staff rooms.
- Room allocations can not be given at present as PGL do not send us floor or room allocations until about a week before we travel.



# Meals

- Children require 2 packed meals for the journey – 1 for breakfast and 1 for lunch.
- All other meals during the stay are provided.
- A supply of cereal bars or similar snacks would be a good idea as will a reusable water bottle.

# Food at the Chateau

- Locally sourced, tasty meals with a French flavour!  
Delicious menus provide a balance between the familiar and the opportunity to try food with a distinctly French flavour too - snails anyone?
- Hot and cold meals with vegetarian options
- Fresh croissants at breakfast
- Homemade soup every day
- Self-service salad bar
- Fresh fruit with every meal
- Allergies, intolerances and special diets catered for

# Packed lunches

- Each day after breakfast, the children will be assisted in making their own packed lunches for the day trips that they will pack in their rucksacks.
- There are fresh and tasty baguettes with a wide choice of fillings, crisps and snacks and bottled water.



# Luggage

- Space for luggage is limited.
- Pupils are allowed one large holdall or suitcase to be kept in the luggage hold until we reach the centre.
- Please note the children will be responsible to carrying their own luggage from the coach park to their accommodation which may be on the first or second floor.

# Clothing

- Pupils will need comfortable clothing for the journey.
- Sensible shoes or trainers will be required as there will be a lot of walking!
- A waterproof will be necessary
- A small back pack for the day trips is needed.

# Personal Possessions

- Cameras or any other electronic equipment are the responsibility of the individual child.
  - No mobile phones are to be taken.
- This a policy on all FGT trips and has worked effectively on all previous trips.

# Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March

- Arrive at school at approximately 4:30 - 5.00 am (this is an estimated time. If anything changes we will communicate this closer to the time.
- The crossing is 11:00am from Dover.
- Greeted at Chateau de Grande Romaine.
- Evening activities (includes boules, disco, football matches, mini-Olympics, scavenger hunt crepe making)

# Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

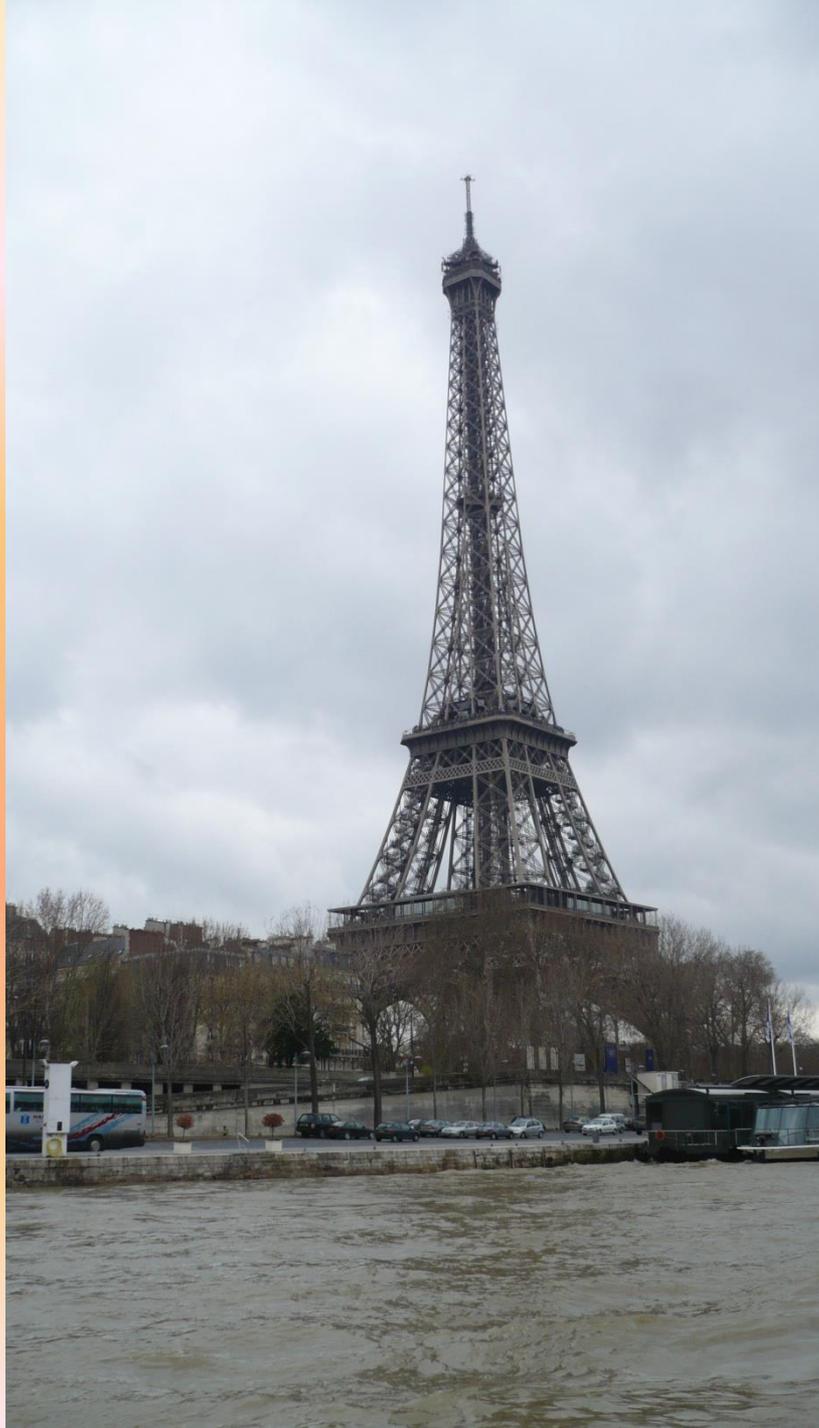
- Visit to Stade de France
- Visit to the Sacre Coeur.
- Evening activities organised by PGL staff.





# Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March

- Paris city tour, to include:
  - Visit to the Eiffel Tower;
  - Boat trip down the River Seine;
  - Evening activities







# Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

- Day out at Disneyland Paris
- Evening activities





# Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

- Leave centre after breakfast.
- Travel to Calais
- Crossing at 3.30pm.
- Arrive back at school at approximately 8.00pm.

- We hope the group will arrive back at St. Gentleshaw by 8.00 pm. However it is difficult to predict exactly what time we will arrive.
- School will send out a text regarding ETA nearer the time and we will also update via Twitter.

# Pocket Money

- All of the admission prices and leisure facilities are included in the price of the tour.
- Children require pocket money for souvenirs and snacks.
- Children may want a small amount of English money for the service station by certainly no more than £10.
- This should be a maximum of €50
- This needs to be handed in to school by 8<sup>th</sup> March
- We will give the children money in staggered amounts.

# Medical Cards

- We would request that your child's Global Health Insurance Card is handed in to school no later than the first week back after half term.
- These are free of charge and can be applied for on <https://www.gov.uk/global-health-insurance-card>

# And finally.....

- We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your co-operation.
- There has been a great deal of organisation to attend to and without your support the task would have been a lot more difficult.

