



Monday, 15 April 2024

Dear Parents / Guardians

The Ladies' College has a partnership with Le College Le Castillon, a private mixed secondary school in Les Pieux, a small, picturesque town on the beautiful south coast of Normandy. We started this exchange in 2019; the staff member helping organise this exchange on the French side is a former Ladies' College student who has been teaching at Le Collège les Castillons for many years.

Since Remove, your daughter has been paired with a pen friend with whom she corresponds via letters. The French students and their teachers are visiting Guernsey **on Tuesday 4th June 2024** to meet with your daughter and to take part in various activities organised by The Ladies' College.

French Student Visit – June 2024

Itinerary

- 08.15: normal registration and lessons until 09.30
- 10.00: meeting with the French pen pals in town for activities in group (remote supervision)
- 12.00: back to school for pique-nique together (packed lunch)
- 13.30: rounders with pen pals/group activities
- 15.00: "goûter" with pen pals (students providing cakes/drinks)
- 15.30: if able to, students are expected to stay until 16.15 to lead a visit of the College.

We would like to make sure that all our students make the most of this opportunity to practice their French and share cultural knowledge as part of our curricular provision for the whole year group, whether they are planning to go onto the French trip.

Visit to France – September 2024

Following the visit of the French students in June, your daughter will have the opportunity to visit their pen pal in Normandy in September.

Itinerary

- Wednesday 25th September: leaving after school
- Thursday: Visit a Normand biscuit shop
- Spend the day with penfriends during group activities on site organised by the French school
- Friday 27th September: return in the morning

Accommodation

All Ladies' College students' and staff will stay in a hostel styled accommodation close to College (le Siou) designed for school groups.

Cost/payments

The cost of the trip will be £200 and includes the following:

- Travel to and from Guernsey to Les Pieux (ferry and coach)
- Accommodation

- All meals
- Visit to the Maison du biscuit

Further information will be provided nearer the time.

The above price depends on the participation of 40 pupils and the sooner we are able to book the boat and the coach the lower the overall cost. To secure your child's place, we require a £100 non-refundable deposit, paid by bank transfer by Monday 29th April. Please can you make the final payment of £100 by Monday 3rd June.

Please note, we will only ever ask for money to be paid into our main College bank account held with NatWest International, ending in7614.

Payment by BACS to the following bank details:

Account Name: The Ladies' College

Account Number: 06017614

Sort Code: 60-09-20

Reference: Normandy / Surname

Please return this form by Monday 22nd April and the first payment by Monday 29th April.

<https://forms.office.com/e/XfKmXhU3xW>

Trip Information Meeting

There will be a meeting for parents and students prior to the trip at which we will go through the itinerary, explain our expectations of the students, and answer any questions you may have. The meeting will take place at The Ladies' College Hall on **Monday the 16th of September at 6.00pm**

Consent Form

A consent form will be sent in due course from our trips management system, EVOLVE. Please ensure that your daughter's medical information (including dietary requirements) is up to date. Should this not be the case, please contact the Registrar (registrar@ladiescollege.ac.gg) and she will update our records.

The MFL department feel that this exchange provides a fantastic opportunity for your daughter to practice the language and experience French culture. We know that previous exchange trips have always been a highlight for students in KS3. Furthermore, some students have continued contact after the exchange experience.

Yours sincerely,

Clarisse Feldmesser

Mrs Feldmesser
MFL Teacher