



# Brine Leas School

An Academy

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September 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

## French Exchange 2017-2018

Once again, there is an opportunity for your child to take part in the exchange trip to Brive-la-Gaillarde. Since the exchange programme was set up 25 years ago approximately 500 pupils have experienced firsthand the culture and language of France within a host family, accompanied by staff from Brine Leas School. We can confidently say that this visit has an impact not only on each child's confidence but helps to improve GCSE grades too. It is also highly beneficial for dual linguist students and students who wish to study A level French.

The visit for the French students to Nantwich should take place from Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November to Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017 and the return visit to France for our students should take place from Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March until Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018. As part of the exchange, we would expect you to host a French student for one week.

The cost of the visit will be about £250, depending on the number of students involved. This includes travel by plane to and from Limoges, coach, accommodation and visits. If you would like your child to attend, please complete the permission slip below enclosing a non-refundable deposit cheque for £50.00 (the preferred option) made payable to Brine Leas School no later than Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2017. Cash payments can be accepted when a cheque is not possible. Students may take cash payments directly to the Finance Office and this will be receipted in the student's planner.

Accommodation for your child will be organised within a host family and days will be spent visiting the French school, going on visits with the French students or within our own party of Brine Leas students and staff. On the reply slip could you please indicate whether you would be happy to host a boy or a girl or either as this will help us to best accommodate the French students.

If your child is currently eligible for Free School Meals / has in the past been on Free School Meals since 2011 / is currently a Child in Service since January 2011/ is currently Cared for Child or has ever been looked after by an English or Welsh local authority then assistance can be applied for through the Pupil Premium fund. Please return the permission slip below with the Pupil Premium assistance application option ticked. The school will contact you to advise what assistance is available. If your form is returned to school showing the Pupil Premium option and we don't appear to have your child on Pupil Premium records we may need to contact you to clarify.

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It is the policy of Brine Leas High School to support families when financial hardship may preclude a child from attending a school visit. Please contact Mrs Bradshaw on the above number and the matter will be dealt with confidentiality.

I have also enclosed a form C (Parental Permission Form). Please complete the form detailing any medical issues your child may suffer from and return it with the payment and permission slip below. Please note, without this form being completed, your child will not be allowed to attend the visit.

Yours faithfully.



Mr C Cador  
Head of French  
CCR/SJ/AE/ACE

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**French Exchange 2017/2018 - Mr Cador**

I would like my child ..... Progress Group.....  
to take part in the 2017/2018 French exchange visit.

My payment option is as follows:

I have enclosed a cheque for £50 (non-refundable) made payable to Brine Leas School. *Please post in to the Drop Box at Student Reception.*

I enclose a cash payment (non-refundable) that my child will take to the Finance Office with their planner for a receipt to be provided.

My child is on the Pupil Premium register and I would like to apply for assistance towards the French Exchange Visit. *The school will contact you to advise what assistance is available*

I would be prepared to host a boy/girl/either .....

If you are unable to take part, please indicate the reason (i.e. time of year, cost, hosting, concerns about staying at someone else's house)

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Signed .....(Parent/Guardian) Date: .....