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Dear Parent/Carer

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**Year 8 Language Visit to the Opal Coast, France
5 – 8 June 2017**

Cotham School's Modern Foreign Languages Department invites Year 8 French students on a visit to Ambleteuse on the Opal Coast, France from Monday 5 – Thursday 8 June 2017. The visit will be a carefully planned week of cultural and linguistic immersion. Students will stay in ARTES Village-Vacances which is just a 15 minute walk from the beach at Ambleteuse. The holiday camp Le Cap d'Opale is located in a large enclosed park, including a terrace, a playground and an indoor swimming pool. The accommodation is full board and typically students will eat breakfast and dinner on site and be given a packed lunch during the day. Activities will include visits to a snail farm, a goat farm, a manufacturer of quality chocolates and the Aqualud swimming complex (an ability to swim is strongly recommended). Full risk assessments are in place for this visit. Students must have their own current passport and European Health Card (EHIC) with them in order to travel.

We are requesting a voluntary contribution of £315 to cover all associated costs. Places are limited to 40. This annual trip is extremely popular and is usually oversubscribed. In order to ensure that allocation of places is carried out in as fair a way as possible we are asking that those who would like a place for their child **return the reply slip below to their French teacher or email to visits admin strachanm@cotham.bristol.sch.uk by Monday 9 January**. If the visit is oversubscribed by this date we will conduct a draw and notify parents of the outcome.

The school's expectation is that your child's attendance is 94% or above in order to participate in this trip. Students' attendance history will be taken into account early in the academic year.

For those successful in securing a place we will require the deposit as confirmation of acceptance of the place. A schedule of three further payments will then apply. For those unsuccessful in a draw a reserve list will operate. Unfortunately if insufficient voluntary contributions are received the visit will be cancelled. For information about financial assistance for school trips please see the school website - Menu/News,Events,Dates/Trips & Visits. Please note that if a student subsequently withdraws from the visit then payments made will be non-refundable unless a substitute for that place can be found. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Deposit of £60	payable on acceptance of offered place
Second payment of £85	by end of February
Third payment of £85	by end of March
Fourth payment of £85	by end of April

Yours sincerely

P Morton
Team Leader of Modern Foreign Languages

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Deputy Headteacher

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STUDENT NAME _____ TUTOR GROUP _____

FRENCH TEACHER _____

I would like to apply for a place for my child on the Yr 8 language visit.

Signed (Parent / Carer) _____ Print Name _____ Date _____

