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5th September 2013

Dear Parents and Carers

French Exchange trip to Grenoble for Y10 and Y12 - January 2013

We are delighted your child is studying French at The Cherwell School. We are pleased to be able to offer a wonderful opportunity, to go to Grenoble and spend 8 days with our French partner school, Lycée Champollion. Along with discovering the historical surroundings of Grenoble and sampling French culture, your child will stay with his/her pen friend's family every night and will therefore improve his/her ability to speak French, an invaluable chance to be more successful at GCSE/A-level.

Provisional travel arrangements have been made. As we offer the trip to Year 10 and Year 12 students of French, we intend to take 15 pupils from each year group. We intend to leave school on **Saturday 26th January**, to fly from London Stansted to Grenoble Airport. The French families will greet us at Lycée Champollion in Grenoble that evening. The week will then be dedicated to visits and cultural activities organised by our French partners. For example, we will visit Annecy, explore the Vercors on racquets, visit the Resistance Museum (with an English speaking guide), to list just a few of these exciting outings. Your child will also accompany his/her pen friend in lessons for one morning, and will have some free time to explore Grenoble and practise his/her French skills. We intend to leave Grenoble and return in the **late afternoon of Saturday 2nd February**.

In return, our French partners will visit us **from 14**th **to 22**nd **March 2013**, (to be confirmed in our first parents information evening later this year), and therefore we expect you to receive your child's pen friend during this time.

Payment: The final price will depend on the number of students taking part, but will be **not more than £350 in total.** This includes the cost of coach travel, return flights, and visits. Travel and medical insurance are included. Meals and accommodation are provided by the host families.

If you would like to send your child on this excursion, please send a non-returnable deposit of £100. Cheques should be made payable to "The Cherwell School" and should be clearly labelled with the child's name and form at the back of it. The full balance will be due by 24th October 2012. As it is a very popular trip, we will draw names to make the process as fair as possible and if you are not successful, the deposit will be returned to you.

It is essential that you hand in <u>together with</u> the deposit and the slip, the attached form about your child's passport. We will need a photocopy of it, or your child can bring his/her passport for us to make a copy on the first meeting later this year. In the event that this form is missing, we will not be able to take your child on the trip.

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We also ask you to ensure that your child is issued with **his/her own EHIC (European Health Insurance Card).** This entitles him/her to free medical care in a member country of the EU (please see note on next page).

We hope that you will encourage your child to take part in what we know will be an extremely enjoyable excursion. If you have any immediate queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Yours sincerely

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Student: _____

From:

I would like my child to take part in the trip to Grenoble from 26th January to 2nd February 2013.

Enclosed:

→ A deposit of £100 [] (cheque made payable to "The Cherwell School")

→ Passport Form is included []

Signature of Parent/Carer: _____Date:_____Date:_____

Please return to the red box outside the finance office on the North Site