



GCU/FBA/JJA

29 January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: DISNEYLAND PARIS TRIP FEBRUARY 2024

I write with reference to the Disneyland Paris trip, taking place on, 25-27 February 2024 and would like to bring to your attention the following updates:

Our Tour Operator (NST) has changed the departure times, as follows:

- We will now be meeting at The Gateway Academy on **Sunday 25 February 2024 at 5:30 am** (instead of Saturday 24 February 23:30 pm).
- The coach will depart promptly at **06:00 a.m.** on **Sunday 25 February**. (Any lateness will result in the loss of space on the trip as the coach will depart without the student and no refund will be offered.)
- Check in at Dover Terminal at **08:00 am**.
- Ferry departure time: **10:40 am**.
- Return check in at Calais Terminal on **27 February 2024**, at **5.00 pm (local time)**.
- Ferry departure time: **7:35 pm (local time)**.
- Arrive at Dover Terminal at **8:05 pm (local time)**.
- Anticipated arrival back at The Gateway Academy at approximately **10:00 pm., Tuesday 27 February 2024** (traffic permitting).

Students **must** bring their passports with them and they will also need an EHIC / GHIC Card on this trip. If your child has not ordered an EHC / GHIC Card yet, please apply **as soon as possible**, via the government website: <https://www.gov.uk/global-health-insurance-card>. These cards are free of charge and it usually takes 5-7 working days to arrive. This represents international health insurance.

The hotel has verified that the rooms are furnished with safes; nevertheless, it is advised not to store documents at the reception. Certain parents have expressed a preference for us to safeguard students' passports throughout the trip. Please could you sign and return the reply slip provided below, to indicate whether you authorise the teachers to retain your child's passport following the customs check.

The emergency contact numbers during this trip are **0044 7590467680** and **0044 7852714616**. Parents can locate the group using NST Locate my Trip tracking app. This will be released one week prior to departure. An explanatory video can be found on <https://www.nstgroup.co.uk/locate-my-trip-app>

If you have any queries regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to contact us via email at frederique.bouretaa@theglc.org.uk or gabriela.ciubotaru@theglc.org.uk We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Ms F Bouretaa and Mrs G Ciubotaru
MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT

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REPLY SLIP**RE: DISNEYLAND PARIS TRIP FEBRUARY 2024**

*I authorise ☐ / do not authorise ☐ the coordinating teachers to hold my child's passport after the customs check. (***please tick the appropriate box**) and return this slip to either Ms Bouretaa and Mrs Ciubotaru.

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