



## ST. CHAD'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### Y6 Trip to Paris – March 2026

Dear Year Five Families,

Following a very successful trip with some of our Year 6 children and our partner schools within ATLP a few weeks ago, we are delighted to be able to now offer Y5 children the opportunity to take part in the 2026 Year 6 Paris visit. This will take place from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026. Next year's trip will be the second St Chad's visit to Paris and will be the 13<sup>th</sup> visit for some of our other ATLP partnership schools who will also be attending.

The children will be collected by coach from Lichfield in the early hours of Monday morning and travel to France, arriving early evening. We return at approximately 8:00 pm on the Friday.

The trip will once again be led by Mrs Norton (ATLP Strategic Primary Lead) and Mrs Llewelyn-Cook (Head Teacher at Two Gates Primary School) in conjunction with PGL Travel Ltd, a first-class operator with a solid reputation for organising school trips - a reputation built up from over 60 years' experience in the school travel business. All PGL centres are regularly assessed by the relevant regulatory bodies within the industry and are operated to the highest standards. They are backed by ABTA membership and are ATOL licensed ensuring that all payments made are fully insured. They also hold the 'Learning Outside the Classroom' quality mark.

There are significant benefits to be had from an international residential visit. It affords the opportunity for the pupils to succeed in a new challenge, enjoying the benefits of increased self-confidence and the forming of new relationships both within their peer group and the wider range of people they will meet whilst on the trip with staff and children from primary schools in our ATLP partnership. It also offers a different cultural experience and the opportunity to develop a new awareness and sense of achievement. If you require further information about the Centre and PGL as a company, please visit their website on [www.pgl.co.uk](http://www.pgl.co.uk)

The children will be accommodated in a converted chateau on the outskirts of the city. The chateau was formerly a 3-star hotel and was used as the training camp for the Brazilian National football team when they were preparing for the World Cup. Previously, we have visited some of the wonderful sites below:

- Sacre Coeur and the Artists' Quarter (Montmartre)
- A trip up the Eiffel Tower
- Tour of The Stade de France
- A boat ride along the Seine

- A full day and evening excursion at Euro Disney
- Seeing other major sites in the city
- Organised evening activities at the Chateau (Disco, Orienteering, etc.)

The estimated full cost of the visit is £660.00 per child which includes travel, insurance, accommodation and meals at the Chateau, all activities and a hoodie and cap for each child. There is a requirement for a valid passport (with at least 3 months remaining after our return in March 2026) and an EHIC or GHIC medical card (free to obtain). The only additional cost will be pocket money (100 Euros maximum) and meals during the journey (Monday's journey - £10 for UK stop off and 15 Euros for France stop off. Friday's journey - £15 for UK stop off).

If you would like your child to take part in this trip, please complete the Microsoft Form (Link below) by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. An initial deposit of £50.00 will be due on ParentPay by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May to secure your child's place.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=onNUZMViQ0uKbYN8DZZYfGSKOsuKgfJDsNWgc93ZZbdUQ0czUDE0Q1cwOU5GSIBKNldXUjITRzFJUj4u>

**\*The full deposit will be £175 per child, but we realise that this is a large amount to ask for by May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will therefore outlay the full deposit on your behalf. Please be aware that the deposit of £175 is non-refundable, so if you make your initial payment of £50, you are committing to a non-refundable deposit of £175.**

Both the remainder of the deposit and cost of the trip will need to be paid by yourselves. The initial £50 payment will be followed by 7 monthly instalments of £80 to be paid at the end of each month (starting 30<sup>th</sup> June) and one final balance payment of £50 is to be paid by 16th January 2026. If you wish to make additional interim payments, you are more than welcome to do so.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals, and your child would like to attend this trip, please come and speak to Mrs Draper in the school office about a reduced cost.

We understand that you will have many questions about this trip and would therefore like to invite you to a meeting and short presentation (with opportunity to ask questions) on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 3:30pm.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Jones

Deputy Headteacher