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Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Art study visit to Paris 2016

I am writing to you regarding our proposed Art study visit to Paris next academic year, from **Thursday 10th November 2016, returning Sunday, 13th November 2016**

The visit will form a vital part of the A2 course as it provides visual research and first-band critical study, which is an integral part of the thematic study, or course work

Our itinerary will include visits to the Pompidou Centre, Musée D'Orsay, the newly refurbished Musée Picasso and the Orangerie to see Monet's large scale Water Lilies. We will cover the National Modern Art Collection of France, Impressionism, Cezanne, Monet, Delaunay, Van Gogh, Picasso, cubism, Leger, and contemporary painting. For dynamic visual research, we will visit a number of sights including Montmartre, Sacre Coeur, Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame. The above itinerary will provide research into possible themes such as 'Paris Urban Modernism', 'Colour and Light Simultaneity' and 'International Modernism – A New Language'

As your son/daughter has expressed an interest in continuing the course, and I need to secure the booking, may I politely request a deposit of **£25 by Tuesday, 24 February 2016** to guarantee a place. Cheques for this should be made payable to 'Ripon Grammar School' and taken to room N2 at break. Once we have received the deposit, a Parent Pay account will be set up so you can pay in instalments. A refund will be given if, for whatever reason, your son/daughter no longer wishes to take the subject at A2 level.

The approximate final cost of the visit will be **£415**, with the balance due in October 2016. This will include travel from School to York, Eurostar to Paris and three nights bed and breakfast at the Generator Paris. The price also includes a packed lunch, provided by the hostel, entrance fees to all museums and galleries, and metro tickets. If you have any concerns about the cost involved, please feel free to contact the school in confidence.

I do apologise for this early request but this destination is very popular and early booking is essential to secure the trip.

Yours sincerely

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