



# BOWERHAM PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL & BABY UNIT

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**Dear Parents,**

## **PGL France Residential 7<sup>th</sup> - 11th September 2026**

The time is nearly here for your child to embark on our exciting residential trip to France!

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### **Trips and Activities**

During the stay, the children will participate in three trips and also activities on the PGL centre and nearby beach.

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### **Travel Information**

- **Departure:**  
We will leave **promptly at 4.30am on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September.**  
Please arrive at school **no earlier than 4.15am** and remain in your cars until staff begin boarding the bus. Please staff to get organised it is really early for us too!  
Luggage will be loaded at this time for a smooth and swift departure.
- **Comfort:**  
Children may bring a **pillow** to help them rest during the journey.
- **Ferry & Arrival:**  
We aim to catch the **1.40pm ferry from Dover** and expect to arrive at **Château d'Ebbingham around 5.15pm local time.**
- **Return:**  
We are scheduled to arrive back at school by **9.00pm on Friday 11th September.**  
Any changes to this time will be communicated via **ParentApp** and posted on **Facebook.**  
Please ensure your contact details are up to date.

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### **Passports, GHIC Cards & Hoodies**

- **Passports & GHIC Cards**  
Are to be handed into the school office by 12.00 noon Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September and these will be held by staff for the duration of the trip.
- **Hoodies:**  
The hoodies have arrived at and will be handed out to the children to bring home. Children must **wear their hoody on departure day.** We recommend washing it beforehand to prevent fluff transferring to their clothes. Please **clearly label** all clothing.

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### **Spending Money:**

- **€30 & £10 for return tea** on Friday will be provided for the week as this was included in the trip cost. This money will be handed out to the children on a daily basis by staff.

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## **Stand tall, reach high, love learning**

The Bowerham School community is proud to nurture aspiration,  
inspire love for life-long learning and prepare children for a changing  
society.



## Entertainment

Children are welcome to bring books, games, or other items to keep them entertained during travel.

**All personal items are their responsibility** and should be **clearly named**.

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## Mobile Phones

- Mobile phones **are allowed**, but the **SIM card must be removed** – staff will check and remove any SIM cards found.
  - Please be aware there is no WI-FI connection
  - Phones may be used to take photos, but **calls will not be permitted**.
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## Food for the Journey

- Please provide enough food and drink for the outbound journey, including **breakfast and lunch**.
  - All food must be in **disposable packaging** and placed in a **plastic bag** for easy disposal.
  - We advise against fizzy drinks, pure juices, and chocolate as these may contribute to **travel sickness**.
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## Medication & Travel Sickness

- All medication must be:
    - In **original packaging with a pharmacy dispensing label**
    - **Clearly labelled** with your child's name and full instructions for use
  - If possible, please hand medication and relevant paperwork into the school by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September or to **Miss Holgate** on the morning of departure.
  - Ensure your child has enough medication for the **entire duration** of the trip.
  - **We cannot accept** any medication removed from its original packaging or alter dosages based on parental instructions.
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## Birthdays

If your child happens to be celebrating their birthday whilst away on the trip you are very welcome to send a card and birthday banner for them. Please hand these to Mr Haughton on Monday morning.

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## Communication During the Trip

We'll be posting regular updates and photos on our school Facebook page and also on a daily basis on your child's Showbie account.

👉 **"Bowerham Primary & Nursery School"** – be sure to give us a follow!

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## Staff Attending

- **Mrs Hemingway** (Trip Leader)
  - Miss Holgate
  - Mr Haughton
  - Miss Dodd
  - Miss Bettess
  - Mrs Harris
  - Miss Wilson
  - Miss Porter
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We look forward to seeing everyone **bright and early at 4.15am on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September!**

Yours sincerely,  
**Mrs Hemingway & The France Team**