



Tadcaster Grammar School

'A Culture of Excellence'

March 2018

Dear Parents

Eurofest – 28 June 2018

I am pleased to inform you that your child has been selected to be involved in a languages day, taking place on Thursday 28 June. This is an excellent opportunity to have a fun day out of school and enjoy using languages in a different setting. This will be your child's first foreign language, in other words the one they started with in year 7. The activity is called "Eurofest" and will take place at Selby College. Your child will be involved with a "stall" that promotes either a product or a town. The students will be prepared beforehand with the sentences that they will need to say in French/German. We will be in a "market" type scenario with stalls from other schools in the area also present. There will be prizes given out during the day and an interactive languages workshop.

The trip will take place during school hours with transport provided. Students will need to bring a packed lunch.

Under the terms of the Education Reform Act 1988 the school is not allowed to make a charge for this activity, but we are permitted to ask for voluntary contributions and the Governors have authorised us to do so. I am sure you will understand that we cannot afford to pay for it from the funds available to us. Therefore, in order to provide this opportunity, I am requesting a contribution of **£5.70** from students towards the cost of this activity. No student will be excluded if his/her parent/guardian does not make this contribution. However, if sufficient voluntary contributions are not received, the visit will not be able to take place.

I would be grateful if you could make your payment on ParentPay by **Tuesday 17 April 2018**. Your payment will automatically give your authorisation for your child to go on the visit. If you have any problems accessing your ParentPay account please contact Caroline La-Ffin in the Main Office. For parents/carers of students who have been advised they are eligible for Pupil Premium, some of the costs will automatically be taken from their Pupil Premium funding, but you must request a place by sending in a letter of consent which should be given to me.

We will be meeting during VT time on Tuesdays (10.40am). The first meeting will be on Tuesday 13 March in the Conference Room behind reception.

Eurofest has been running successfully for a number of years now, and has proved to be an enjoyable and productive day. If you do not wish for your child to participate, please let their French/German teacher know as soon as possible, so the place can be reallocated.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Alderman
Teacher of French