

SEVENOAKS SCHOOL

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Dear Parent

Lower Sixth French Standard Level Exchange to Brussels

I would like to invite students doing Standard Level French to participate in an exchange to Brussels, Belgium in January 2012. This is a very popular and successful exchange which has been running for thirteen years, and gives our pupils the opportunity to speak French, make contacts with Belgian families and learn about Belgian culture. Some students have made lasting friendships and visit each other regularly.

Our exchange school is "Les Dames de Marie", a friendly Catholic mixed day-school based in the centre of Brussels, where our students shall attend some lessons. During their time in Belgium, students will visit the beautiful Musée des Beaux Arts and will go on a day trip to Bruges. Students will also have the opportunity to visit the European Parliament where we hope they will have the chance to ask questions and have discussions with our local MEPs. Two members of Sevenoaks staff will accompany the students throughout the exchange.

The dates of the exchange are as follows:

Wednesday 11 to Wednesday 18 January – Brussels pupils will be in Sevenoaks
Wednesday 25 to Wednesday 1 February – Sevenoaks pupils will be in Brussels

The cost of the trip will be £250. This will include travel (coach from Sevenoaks to Ebbsfleet and Eurostar to Brussels), all travel and excursion costs while in Brussels, as well as the cost of the programme for the Belgians during their time here.

There are only 20 places available on the exchange, so if you would like to participate, please complete the enclosed slip and return it to **Mrs R Draper in the Modern Languages Department** as soon as possible, together with a cheque for £80 (payable to Sevenoaks School) as a deposit. The balance will be added to your next school bill payable at the beginning of Lent Term.

While staff will do all that is reasonable to help students who have been away from school for some time, the onus and initiative lies with each individual pupil to catch up on work missed through absence.

I will be hosting an Information Evening for pupils and parents on **Monday 7 November at 18:30 in ML4** when you will have a chance to hear more about the exchange. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs Draper (rld@sevenoaksschool.org) should you have any questions.

Yours sincerely



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LOWER SIXTH BRUSSELS EXCHANGE 2012

Name _____

House _____

I would like my son/daughter to take part in the Lower Sixth Sevenoaks School French exchange programme with *Les Dames de Marie* in Brussels in January 2012.

- I enclose a cheque payable to Sevenoaks School for the deposit of £80.
- **I also include a copy of the photo page of my son/daughter's passport.**

Signed:- (Parent or guardian)

Date:-

Please return this slip, cheque and copy of passport at your earliest convenience (but no later than Friday 30 September) to: Mrs R Draper, Exchanges Coordinator, in the Modern Languages Department.