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Dear Current Year 7 and 8 Parents and Carers

Year 8 and 9 French Christmas Markets and History Trip, December 2022 Vaccination Information

Following my initial trip information letter, please find further information and links about vaccination status below which is important to be aware of before booking a place on this trip. It is up to parents/carers to ensure you have checked the entry requirements that are in place and that **your child meets those entry requirements**.

Students may not be allowed to travel if they cannot comply with the rules of entry to France.

Please note that these are the requirements that are currently in place and may change prior to the date of travel.

From 31st March 2022, **fully vaccinated travellers** from the UK aged 12 and over must provide **proof of vaccination**:

- At least 14 days have passed since the second shot for two-shot vaccines (Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca)
- At least 4 weeks have passed after the shot for one-shot vaccines (Johnson & Johnson).

Proof of the relevant documentation for this will need to be presented in advance of departure. Please note that proof of an appointment is **not** considered acceptable to leave the country.

From 31st March 2022, **unvaccinated travellers** must provide a **negative PCR test** result taken within 72 hours of departure, or an **antigen test result** taken within 48 hours of departure, or a certificate of recovery (positive result of a PCR or antigen test carried out more than 11 days and less than 6 months previously. This certificate is only valid for a period of 6 months from the date of the examination or test).

Please note that if required, **private PCR tests** will need to be arranged and paid for by parents/carers as the NHS has stated that it will not carry out any tests for the purposes of travel.

Self-administered tests whose results are not certified by an approved private test provider (e.g. free tests provided by the NHS) are not valid for travel.

Unfortunately, if your child is unable to or is refused travel because they do not meet the travel requirements, we will be unable to refund any payment.

Obviously, these are the current requirements and may be subject to change prior to the date of travel.

Please click on the links below for further information:

[Entry requirements - France travel advice - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

[French Embassy in the UK's website](#)

A copy of the school insurance policy is also attached so you may take out additional cover should you wish to.

Yours faithfully

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Head of MFL