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Dear Parents and Carers

Music Tour to Belgium - Final Details

We are very pleased to write to advise that arrangements for our Music Tour to Belgium are now finalised. We will be based in Kortrijk and perform in Poperinge, De Panne, Ypres and Ostend.

Our musicians will need to be dropped at school at 2.45am on Friday 10 July, as we have an early sailing from Dover. Our return time on Monday 13 July is estimated at 8.45pm. Further details of our confirmed travel arrangements, accommodation and performance venues can be found [here](#).

Rehearsals in school have been going well but, as is always the case towards the end of the school year, attendance has varied each week. On Monday 6 July, there will be an extra extended rehearsal in Mu4 from 1.20pm to 7.30pm, with breaks included, followed by an informal concert at 6.30pm - all tour students have already been advised of this. This rehearsal is crucial towards making our trip a musical success, so we would be very grateful if you would support your child in making the appropriate arrangements to attend. Parents and carers are invited to join us from 6.30pm, for the last hour of an informal performance of some of the music we will be taking with us and there will also be an opportunity to discuss any questions you may have afterwards. As a reminder, we also expect to see all performers at our regular Touring rehearsals on Monday and Tuesday lunchtimes (those who are not in school do not need to wear uniform, but are expected to come in).

A suggested 'kit list' will be given out on Monday 6 July and specific rooming arrangements will be shared that week. In the meantime, we ask that you ensure the school has full up-to-date medical and dietary requirements for your child.

Please be aware that all students will need to bring the following:

1. Instrument
2. Foldable music stand
3. 6 x clothes pegs for when performing outside
4. Packed breakfast / English money (suggested £15) for outward ferry crossing
5. Euros for 4 x lunches (suggested €60)
6. Pocket money (optional - €50 max.)
7. Concert dress is Tour t-shirt top (given out on bus) with smart casual bottom half (shorts okay)

We are all really looking forward to the tour and urge you to look at the attached itinerary - which you will find extremely informative. We will let you know of any relevant last-minute changes but, if you have any immediate questions, please do not hesitate to email s.bates@parmiters.herts.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely



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