

# LILYDALE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

## **FRENCH SISTER SCHOOL EXCHANGE PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES FOR LILYDALE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF HISTORY IN 2016**

The Languages Department are organizing the 2016 Student Exchange with our sister school, Lycée Fernand Darchicourt, located in northern France, just south of the city of Lille. In February 2016, twenty students and two teachers from Lycée Darchicourt will require host families at LHS for three weeks. Ideally, they should be hosted by LHS students who are studying French in 2016; however, there will probably be a need for extra host families. In addition, places may be available for Year 10-12 History students in 2016, current Year 9-11 students, who are not studying French, to participate in the tour to France.

The French students will host LHS students who will travel to France for three weeks (dates are yet to be confirmed, but it is likely to be during our Term One holidays and either the week before, or the week after, the holidays). As our sister school is a senior high school, only students in Year 10-12 in 2016 are able to participate in the tour to France. This tour will also be open to Year 10-12 History students, as there are many experiences which link directly with aspects of the History curriculum.



The exchange includes several days in a hotel or hostel in Paris, and two weeks with the students and families of Lycée Darchicourt, in the town of Hénin-Beaumont. Although the French students are studying English at school, and complete some of their subjects in English, their parents may not speak much English. LHS students must be prepared to interact with the family and be flexible and open to experiencing the French culture and way of life.

This area is very close to the Belgian border and we usually venture into Belgium to visit various historical sites. The approximate cost for this tour will be in the region of \$3,800, with most of the accommodation expenses covered by the host families.

If you are interested in your son/daughter participating in this tour, please complete the Expression of Interest form accompanying this letter and return it to the school before 10th March 2015. If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to phone the school and leave a message if I am unavailable to take your call.

Yours faithfully,

Sharon Stoyanoff  
Head of Languages

## **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

### **2016 Lilydale High School French Exchange with Lycée Darchicourt**

- ☐ My son/daughter is interested in participating in the exchange to France in 2016.
- ☐ My son/daughter is interested in participating in the exchange to France and will be able to host a student from Lycée Darchicourt.
- ☐ I am interested in hosting a student from Lycée Darchicourt but will be unable to participate in the exchange to France.

Student Name: ..... Form: .....

Parent/Guardian Name: .....

Phone: .....

Email: .....