



4th March 2010

Dear _____

I am sorry to inform you that you have not been given a place on the German Trip in July. There were over 70 people who applied for one of the 44 available places. Therefore, the decision was made to draw names out of a hat to make the process as fair as possible. Unfortunately your name was not picked but you will be placed on a 'reserve list' and will be given the chance to come on the trip if someone else drops out or no longer feels they want to go.

Thank you for your patience. I hope that you consider further German trips, including the German Christmas Market Day Trip and the German Exchange, in future.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Reene', written in a cursive style.

Mr C Reene



4th March 2010

Dear _____

I am very happy to inform you that you have been given a place on the German Trip in July. There were over 70 people who applied for one of the 44 available places. As a result, the decision was made to draw names out of a hat to make the process as fair as possible. People whose names were not picked will be placed on a 'reserve list' and will be given the chance to come on the trip if someone else drops out or no longer feels they want to go. There will be a meeting for students in Mr. Reene's room (118) next Monday lunchtime (8th March at 1.30pm) to talk about the trip in a bit more detail. There will be a parents' meeting about the trip in June.

Please continue to pay the balance on the voluntary contribution for the trip. Payment cards will be issued on Monday.

Thank you for your patience. I hope you enjoy the trip.

Yours sincerely

Mr C Reene



A Specialist College in Performing Arts



2 March 2010

Dear Parent

Ratton Gala Concert - Sunday 14th March, 7.30pm Congress Theatre, Eastbourne

This year, students from the Performing Arts will be joining together to present an evening of Music and Dance to celebrate our Annual Gala Concert.

It promises to be an exciting, wonderful and varied evening of entertainment featuring: The Ratton Players, Ratton Choirs, Jazz Ensemble, The Rattonians Youth Group plus Vocal and Instrumental Ensembles and Soloists.

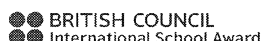
As always, there will be a tremendous variety of musical styles involved in the Concert - something to cater for everyone's taste.

You can buy your tickets direct from the Box Office at the Congress Theatre (tel: 01323 421000), tickets: Adults £8.50, Seniors/Children £7.00.

Please encourage as many of your friends and family to support this, our 22nd Gala Concert in what should be a wonderful evening's entertainment under the direction of David Cane-Hardy, Nikki Smith, Katy Wood and Mark Adams.

Yours sincerely

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January 2010

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to give you final information about the trip to Germany in March. During the exchange I can be contacted on the school mobile 07968 815106. Frau Herud, the teacher in charge while we are in Germany can be contacted on 00 49 4122 54911. If you do have any problems please ring Frau Herud or the school mobile.

I will shortly give you a telephone chain for the evening of our return on Sunday 21 March.

Sunday 14 March Meet 14.30 at Ratton School, Park Avenue entrance
17.45 leave Gatwick
20.25 arrive at Hamburg airport
We will be met by the families and travel to Elmshorn

Monday 15 March Tour of the school
Tour of Elmshorn and Bowling
Welcome party at the school

Tuesday 16 March Trip to Berlin by coach

Wednesday 17 March AM in school PM with the families

Thursday 18 March Trip to Hamburg

Friday 19 March At school and shopping

Saturday 20 March With your families

Sunday 21 March With your families
Leave Hamburg at 20.30 (German time)
21.30 arrive at Gatwick
23.00 approximately arrive at Ratton School

Students will need to remember their passports and a valid E111 card, which I will collect on the coach.

They also need to bring:

- A notebook/pen/pencil to keep a diary
- Comfortable shoes
- Waterproof coat
- Dictionary and/or phrase book
- Warm clothes
- Camera
- Food for the journey
- Something to occupy you on the journey
- Adaptor plug for mobile phone charger
- Plenty of warm clothing

My mobile phone number is 07867 506841. To dial home students should phone 00 44 minus the first 0. e.g. Ratton School would be: 00 44 1323 504011. To phone Germany you should phone 00 49 plus the dialing code minus the first 0.

Students are allowed one piece of hand luggage weighing up to 8kg and measuring 55 x 45 x 25cm. The suitcase can weigh up to 20kg. Excess baggage costs 7 Euros per kilo!. Suitcases and hand luggage should be clearly labelled. No sharp items in hand luggage, and all liquids should be in the suitcase.

We obviously expect the highest standard of behaviour. Alcohol and cigarettes should not be consumed or purchased. Students should try not to spend all their money on the first day. On no account should students walk around on their own. I will give them a piece of paper with my phone number in case of emergencies.

Students should change money before they leave England. I recommend about £40 spending money. Thomas Cook will change money with NO commission if you mention Ratton School.

It would be good to take some photos of your family to show the host family and a present could be something typically English!.

Students will phone you when they arrive - it may be best not to phone your child too often as too many calls can be upsetting. If you have any concerns at all please do not hesitate to contact me.

When we return we will ring from Gatwick to let you know exactly what time we will arrive back at the school.

Yours sincerely

C. Dean

MISS C. DEAN
Curriculum Leader for German