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### Year 6 Trip to France, April 2024

Last week, Year 6 travelled to Rue in France for five days of living in a Chateau, eating French cuisine – including snails and frogs' legs and exploring French modern and ancient sites.



The children visited the cathedral at Amiens which is built in the same style as Notre Dame (but twice as big) and renowned for being the resting place of the skull of St John the Baptist. Nearby, is the Grottes at Naours, an underground city which mirrors the layout of the town above and has been used as a hiding place from the 3/4<sup>th</sup> centuries. The children learned about subterranean living and how the caves were used last during World War II.

The group travelled to Paris to climb the Eiffel Tower and saw preparations for the Olympics. During a boat trip on the River Seine, they saw many of Paris' famous buildings and bridges from the water, including a replica of the Statue of Liberty.

A fascinating morning tour of the town of Rue was followed by an afternoon visit to the beach at Le Touquet where the children ordered ice creams in French.

Later, a tour of the chocolate factory at Beussent was memorable not only for the delicious chocolate but also as they were accompanied by fifteen Gendarmes (French Police) on a team building exercise!

On the way to Calais for the return crossing, a visit to a bakery gave pupils the opportunity to make croissants as instructed by Bruno the baker. His unique style will ensure they never forget the ingredients of a croissant!



Staff at Château du Broutel were full of praise for the children, commenting on their calm and polite behaviour and their keen attitude to participate in the evening fun activities, especially the Château Olympics.

Scroll down for some images from the trip, and take a look at the photos on our social media pages.



