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From: Mr A Loughe – Modern Foreign Languages Co-ordinator

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Dear Parents

Lower School Modern Languages Trip to the Rhineland June 2012

I would like to inform you of yet another exciting modern languages opportunity for your son this academic year. Now a tradition in the modern languages department, I will be leading a group of boys to the German Rhineland for a long weekend after their examinations in the summer term. The trip will be open to all Lower School boys, regardless of the language they currently learn. This is the ideal chance for all boys to learn more about typical life in a vibrant and important region of Europe, and hopefully practise (or even learn!) some German. Boys in the First Year will certainly find the trip complements the five months' of German they will then have under their belt.

The proposed itinerary will see the group departing by coach at breaktime on Thursday 21 June and returning early evening on Sunday 24 June (boys will be excused from lessons on the Thursday afternoon and all day Friday). During their stay in Germany, the boys will have the opportunity to visit the historical city of Cologne, with its magnificent cathedral and chocolate museum. We will stay in the Rhineland, visiting a famous German castle and going on a river cruise. They will of course enjoy the delights of traditional German gastronomy and culture. You can find a report from the 2010 trip on the school website.

The estimated cost is approximately £310 (final price to be confirmed shortly, but will not be more than £320), which includes all travel, excursion costs and full-board hostel accommodation over the four days. If you would like your son to participate in the trip, please complete and return the slip at the bottom of this letter, confirming a billed deposit of £100, **by Friday 11 November**. The remainder of the balance will be added to your school bill next term. This trip tends to prove extremely popular and is normally over-subscribed. To avoid disappointment, please return your slip and deposit as soon as possible. Numbers are strictly limited so places will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority going to First Year boys and boys in the Second Year who did not participate in last year's trip. If places are still available at that point, I will let you know.

Further details will follow, however if you have any queries concerning the trip or require any more information, please do not hesitate to contact me by email (andrew.loughe@abingdon.org.uk) or by telephone (01235 849 032).

Yours sincerely,
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Lower School Rhineland Trip 2011/12

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Son's name..... Tutor

Son's modern language teacher

I would like my son to participate in the 2011/12 Lower School Trip to the Rhineland.

I am happy to be billed a £100 deposit.

Signed..... Date:.....