



CATERHAM SCHOOL

1 February 2012

To Parents and Guardians of pupils in the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Year and Lower Sixth

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Modern Foreign Languages : Trip to Canada : 23 October 2012 - 30 October 2012

I am writing to you with details of an exciting cultural and educational trip that I have planned for October half-term. To go beyond the walls of the classroom and indeed further than Europe, we are planning to visit Montreal and Québec City to give pupils a unique opportunity to combine language, historical and cultural experiences for what promises to be a stimulating trip. I have enclosed a provisional itinerary with this letter. The pupils that are invited are those from the current Second Year to Lower Sixth, who will be returning to school as Third Year to Upper Sixth in September 2012, no matter what language they are studying.

Going on this trip to Canada will provide the pupils with an experience that they will remember for the rest of their lives. The destinations and visits are exciting and the beautiful parts of Canada we will visit, rich in their own unique cultures and historical background. The whole experience promises to be a hugely rewarding and enjoyable nine days.

The cost of the trip is £1750 and this price includes all flights, accommodation, transfers and insurance.

If you would like your son or daughter to go on the trip, please could you send a non refundable deposit of £200.00 along with the attached slip to me by Friday 23 March 2012.

All cheques should be made payable to 'Caterham School'.

Please note that the School reserves the right to withdraw a pupil from any trip where there are concerns about academic progress or behaviour.

If, for any reason, a pupil leaves Caterham School then they would not be able to be a member of the party. In this instance the deposit would be refunded.

Do not hesitate to contact me at School if you have any question.

Yours sincerely,

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Tutor Group.....

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Signed.....**Date**.....

Please print name.....

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**CATERHAM SCHOOL
8 NIGHT PACKAGE TOUR TO CANADA**

23 -30 OCTOBER 2012 – PROPOSED ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN MONTREAL



City sightseeing tour. During the sightseeing tour, the group will drive through the City Centre and its main shopping areas, the Underground City, Old Montreal and Place Jacques Cartier including a stop to see Notre Dame Church, trendy St. Denis Street and Mt. Royal with its exclusive residential areas. Other sights often included on the way are Place des Arts, McGill University, Museum of Arts, Mary Queen Cathedral of the World, the Montreal Stock-exchange, City Hall, Ile Ste. Helene and Notre Dame Islands, Waterfront along the St. Lawrence River and the Olympic Stadium and Botanical Gardens.

DAY 2: MONTREAL – RIGAUD - MONTREAL



A **school visit** in the Montreal area, including lesson observation and meeting Canadian pupils.

Afterwards depart for a short drive to a Maple Syrup Sugar Shack for a Typical Quebecois Meal. Sugar shacks usually offer a variety of activities for all seasons. There you can have traditional sugar shack meals such as 100% maple syrup, bake beans, maple-cured ham, pea soup, "Oreilles de crises" (fried strips of salt port), omelets and maple-sweetened desserts like sugar pie, crepes and "grands-peres" (dumplings poached in maple syrup). A trip to the sugar shack is never complete until you have warm maple taffy poured over fresh snow. The traditional hot maple taffy is usually served on a bed of fresh snow and scooped up with wooden sticks.

DAY 3: MONTREAL – QUEBEC CITY

Morning departure for Quebec City.

Sights include Place d'Armes, Dufferin Terrace, Grande Allee, Plains of Abraham, the Citadel, Parliament Hill, and Place Royale, which include Cote de la Montagne, rue du Petit-Champlain, Our Lady of the Victory's Church & Paris Place. A ride on the Funicular will take you up on a 45 degree angle over Quebec City. Following the city tour, a guided tour of Le Chateau Frontenac. Charmed by a character right out of the 19th century, you will discover the luxurious interior of the World's Most Photographed Hotel. Here the group will be met by a Costumed Guide and taken on a tour of this

magnificent Hotel. Most often, it will be on tiptoe that your guide will allow you into its intimacy where whisper's and secrets abound.



DAY 4: QUEBEC CITY

Depart on coach for a short drive to the Village-des-Hurons (Wendake), a traditional Huron site and Native-Canadian village, where you will experience the tribe's ancient way of living. The students will partake in an Educational Tour.

Upon arrival, traditional breakfast at the village.

Depart to Artillery Park. Since the 17th century, Artillery Park has played an important role in defending Québec. In 1959, the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada recognized the national historic significance of the park and its military installations, which were an integral part of the city's defensive system. The group will participate in an official Tea Ceremony, Which takes place in the luxurious setting of the British Officers' Mess, groups to enjoy a cup of Earl Grey while learning about 19th-century etiquette.

Continue to the Plains of Abraham and participate in The Military (The Battle of the Plains of Abraham). Under the command of both generals Wolfe and Montcalm, revisit the soldier's living conditions during the 1759 battle on the Plains of Abraham. Go over the strategies, load rifles and guns, become an expert in artillery, treat your wounded fellows who fell on the battlefield.

DAY 5: QUEBEC CITY

Departure on the coach for an excursion to Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré, including a stop enroute for a visit of Montmorency Falls. There you will enjoy an exciting cable car ride to the top of the waterfalls.

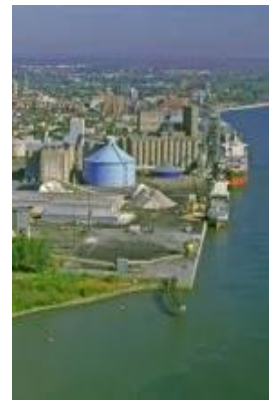


Upon arrival in Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré, you will see one of the most visited pilgrimage sites in North America, the Basilica Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré.

On the way back to Quebec, the bus will stop at a Honey/Bee Museum and then a stop at a Copper Art Museum.

DAY 6: QUEBEC CITY – CAP-DE-LA-MADELEINE - TROIS RIVIERES – MONTREAL

Depart Quebec City for Montreal, with a stop in Cap-de-la-Madeleine & Trois Rivières, which are located at the confluence of the Saint-Maurice and St. Lawrence rivers and midway between the cities of Québec and Montréal. Trois Rivières is a deepwater port and an industrial center, producing great quantities of paper, especially newsprint. Trois-Rivières is the site of Laviolette Bridge, the only bridge to span the St. Lawrence River between the cities of Québec and Montréal. The city is served by the Trois-Rivières Regional Airport. The city is home to several educational institutions, including the Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières. Points of interest include the buildings that survived a 1908 fire. Among these buildings are the Boucher de Niverville Manor; St. James' Anglican Church; the Ursuline Convent, which houses a museum of art and artifacts; the Cathédrale de Trois-Rivières, an example of Gothic architecture; and the Tonnancour Manor, site of a gallery of contemporary art. Additional attractions in the city include the Forges du Saint-Maurice National Historic Site, where the iron industry began in Canada; the Pulp and Papers Industry Exhibition Center; the Flame, a monument erected for the city's 300th anniversary; and Harbour front Park. Annual events include the Players Limited Grand Prix and the Festival international de la poésie, a poetry festival.



DAY 7: MONTREAL

Depart for a half day excursion with admissions to Montreal's Biodome, Botanical Garden, Insectarium and Montreal Tower.

Afternoon is at leisure.

DAY 8: MONTREAL – MONTREAL and DEPARTURE

Day at leisure for some last minute shopping and sightseeing

