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Dear Parents/Carers

To promote language learning, the Modern Foreign Language department at Midhurst Rother College maintains links between Midhurst and its French twin town, Nogent-Le-Rotrou. In the last few months, we have been liaising with our colleague Mrs Christine Corbin there at the Lycée Rémy Belleau (for students aged from fifteen to eighteen years) about the 2024 exchange.

We are organising an exchange for 25 students from each school in February 2024. First, our students travel with Midhurst Rother College teachers to Nogent and Paris on Thursday 8 February and returning on Monday 12 February. All the students coming to visit Midhurst have chosen an academic pathway at the Lycée, where they are taught extra English and also British history through English. They have been selected by their teachers for this baccalaureate course and they have an excellent level of spoken English. They are keen to experience life in a British school and visit some famous English landmarks.

Most MRC participants will host their exchange partner but a few MRC families do not have space at home for a guest. We are looking for some extra families to welcome a French guest for a homestay, from Monday 19 February to Friday 23 February. The visitors coming over in February will be fifteen - sixteen years old. It is not necessary for MRC host families to have a child of the same age. We are looking for kind and welcoming hosts above all. Whether or not your child learns French here at College, they will find it interesting to get to know a young person from France. The Lycée will not be offering payment to Midhurst Rother College families offering to host but your hospitality would be greatly appreciated by the students and teachers organising the exchange. We will supply lunches and organise bus fares to and from College as applicable. No weekend hosting will be needed as the group from Nogent visit us during a working week.

If you would like to host a French student in February, please email or telephone Mrs Lunskey or myself in the MFL department. In the meantime, do not hesitate to contact me via my email address (hayley.good@mrc-academy.org) with any questions about this exchange programme.

I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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