

## **Subject: Paris Trip**

Hello.

I am writing to tell you what a pleasure it was meeting some of your staff and children on their recent trip to Paris. I too, visited Disneyland on Sunday 5th March with my family and chatted to a group whilst in the queue for the Thunder Mountain roller coaster ride. What polite and well mannered children (and staff) they were!

The conditions that day can only be described as horrendous. The heavy rain and cold temperatures made the day extremely miserable. Despite this, the teachers did all they could to ensure the pupils still had a fun and exciting experience, despite being wet, cold and tired themselves. They were enthusiastic and encouraging towards pupils who were apprehensive about going on the rides and ensured that all pupils did their best to stay warm and dry.

Being a teacher myself, I appreciate just how hard work these residential trips are, but to be away for that length of time, in a foreign country, with such young children, is above and beyond anything I could ever imagine. The unfortunate weather conditions can only have made the experience even harder. In times when people are quick to judge and complain, I just wanted to give praise and recognition to the fantastic job they all did for those pupils. I am sure it will have been an experience they'll never forget. Well done to you all, if only all children managed to have such dedicated and hardworking teachers as you.

Kind regards

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