

BHASVIC

June 2025

Lille Work Experience with Host Family Stay Languages and Culture Department Skills Week – early July 2026

Dear Parents/ Carers

Running alongside the curriculum, BHASVIC aims to provide enriching trips linked to students' studies. These trips not only bring their studies to life but also encourage independence, an opportunity to make new friends, and have new experiences.

The Languages and Culture Department are looking at providing a tailor-made work-experience placement to Lille, France with the specialist tour operator Blue Stamp Travel in early July 2026. This is a wonderful opportunity for our French students at BHASVIC to be immersed in everyday French life, language and culture as they will be staying with host families and gaining work experience during the day. We expect the cost for this trip to be approx. £1000.

Please be aware that this trip has been outsourced to Blue Stamp Travel, a UK based travel company specialising in European work experience trips for students and schools. Blue Stamp organise the entire package from the 25-hour work placement, travel, accommodation, social and cultural programme and insurance. No BHASVIC teachers will be accompanying the trip. Blue Stamp Travel also provide a native or fluent French speaker, who will travel as the Group Leader and will visit them in their work placements and host homes.

If your young person is interested in joining this trip, you do not need to do anything at this stage. We will contact students and parents/carers in the Autumn term with all the finalised details, but we wanted to let you know about this opportunity as far in advance as possible, so you have time to financially plan if you wish.

All payments for trips are through our BHASVIC ParentPay account, you will be sent details on how to activate your account once your young person has enrolled, we encourage you to set your account up as soon as possible on receipt of these details to avoid any delays later.

Please be aware that students can only partake in a residential that is organised by the department/s that their courses fall under and that due to the number of students / residential places ratio, students will only be able to apply for one residential. Students are chosen by random selection.

We hope that you have a lovely summer, and we will be back in touch with more details of this trip in the autumn.

Kind regards Languages and Culture Department