



ABINGDON

From: Dr C Burnand – Head of Classics

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To all parents

**Abingdon Classics Department
Greece 2012
Saturday 27 October – Saturday 3 November**

Greece offers a wealth of pre-classical and classical sites from Mycenaean palaces, through the remains of urban centres such as Greek and Roman Athens, to those perched on remote hillsides such as Delphi. Before the financial crisis, the new Acropolis museum was completed and many museums have been recently renovated and reopened: therefore it is a particularly good time to be going to Greece. We will be using Hellene Travel again, and we will be doing our own guiding around sites.

In Athens we will visit the Acropolis, the Pnyx, Agora, National Museum and new Acropolis Museum. There will be a visit to the temple of Poseidon at Sounion, as well as Marathon and other sites in Attica. Then we will follow an anti-clockwise route, visiting the ancient oracle of Delphi, the stadium and sanctuary of Olympia, the remote temple of Bassae, the Mycenaean citadels of Tiryns and of Mycenae itself, Nemea, Argos, Roman Corinth and the dominant fortifications of Acrocorinth, and the excellently preserved theatre of Epidaurus.

We will be staying in four different places, and the tour price includes half-board, air fares, all travel in Greece and entrance to the sites (but not the cost of getting to the British airport from Abingdon: a coach will be organised for those who wish to use it).

The cost will be approximately £700, not including lunches (which are very cheap in Greece). The first deposit is £100, payable by the end of term; the second (also of £100) will be due by the February half-term, and the final payment will be due during the Summer Term.

If you are interested, please return the slip below to me with a cheque for £100, made payable to Abingdon School, by **Wednesday 14 December**. However, places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ring me at school, at home (01865 341590), or contact me by email (chris.burnand@abingdon.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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To: Dr Burnand

I would like to book a place for the 2012 Greece trip for my son

..... Date of birth

(Please give first name and surname **exactly** as on passport)

and I enclose a cheque for £100 as a non-refundable deposit

Signed.....

Contact email:.....