



From: Mr M G Dempsey, Master i/c Madagascar Field Trip 2018

4 November 2016

Dear Parents

### **Biology Field Trip Madagascar – July 2018**

Following the information evening and presentation given by Max Bodmer I attach a sign up form for those who would like to secure a place for their son on this trip. Due to limited availability I will have to assign places on a first-come, first-served basis, and I am sorry for any disappointment that this may cause. The deadline for applications is Tuesday 15 November 2016.

#### **Provisional Dates**

Friday 13 – Saturday 28 July 2018

(Please note that these dates may change by one day depending on flight availability)

#### **Guide Price**

£3250 (The final cost of the trip may vary slightly depending on flight prices, but it should be between £3150 and £3350)

#### **Trip Outline**

The trip is organised by Operation Wallacea. It will involve a week working with scientists in the Mahamavo dry forest ecosystem home to Lemurs and Chameleons followed by a week diving on the tropical reefs at Nosy Be Island (this will include acquiring the PADI open water dive qualification). Operation Wallacea is an organisation that runs several conservation research programmes around the world, involving scientists from international universities. Working with Operation Wallacea enables our students to get involved with real research in one of the most biodiverse areas on Earth. Previous experience shows that this is a fantastic experience with real academic merit.

#### **Payment Instalments**

Please note that by completing the consent form (providing the trip proceeds) you are committing to the total cost of this trip. The non-refundable deposit secures your son's place, but thereafter the School will proceed to make bookings and reservations to procure the best possible deals. The payment arrangements offered are a means of spreading the cost rather than a reflection of when liabilities are incurred.

The cost of the trip is payable in 6 instalments as follows: £500 non-refundable deposit cheque to be attached to sign up form (BACS transfer is acceptable) and then installments of £688 being included on the December 2016, April 2017, July 2017, December 2017 school bills and the balance to be added to the April 2018 school bill.

Yours sincerely

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To: Mr Dempsey

I would like to book a place on the Madagascar Biology Field Trip for my son

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Date of birth .....

(Please give first name and surname **exactly** as on passport, needed for flight-booking.

I enclose a cheque for a non-refundable deposit of £500 (BACS transfer to the school account is acceptable). I agree to the installments of £688 being included on the December 2016, April 2017, Summer 2017, December 2017 bill and the balance to be added to the April 2017 School Fee bills.

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Signed.....

Name.....

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