

From: Mr M G Dempsey, Master i/c Everest Base Camp Expedition 2017

30 September 2016

Dear Parents,

Everest Base Camp Expedition

Friday 13 October – Sunday 29 October 2017

I would like to invite your son to join an expedition to Nepal to trek the classic route to Mt Everest Base Camp. We will fly to Kathmandu and then take a small plane up into the Himalayan foot hills landing at Lukla. From there we will trek through the mountains slowly gaining height by climbing upwards, crossing valleys and canyons until we get to the moraine fields that lead to Everest Base camp. From there we will, if the conditions are favourable, climb Kala Pattar at 5643m. This will give us outstanding views of Everest. On return to Kathmandu we will have a day to complete some sightseeing and experience the rich culture of this historic city. This trip will be organised in country by World Expeditions with whom we completed a very successful and safe expedition to Nepal in 2014. For more details regarding the expedition please see the attached document titled 'Abingdon School - Everest Base Camp & Kala Pattar Expedition Oct 17'.

The cost will be between £2450 and £2550 according to the size of the final party. The first deposit is £500, payable by the 4 November; the remainder will be added to the December, April and July School fee bills. Additional costs will include the cost of a Nepalese visa, the cost of any vaccinations required, money for snacks and additional drinks. The cost of the trip includes entry fees, travel insurance, the journey to and from Heathrow, tips for porters, meals and accommodation which will be a mixture of camping and hotels. Two teachers from Abingdon including myself will accompany the boys; we will also be joined by two English-speaking Nepalese guides.

If you are interested, please return the slip below to me with a cheque for £500, made payable to Abingdon School, by Friday 4 November. There is a minimum requirement of 16 boys that will be required to sign up for this trip to proceed. 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 or contact me by email (mathew.dempsey@abingdon.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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To: Mr Dempsey

I would like to book a place for the 2017 Nepal trip for my son

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 \pounds 500. I agree to the instalments of \pounds 675 being included on the December 2016 and April 2017 bill and the balance to be added to the July 2017 School Fee bills.

Please note that by completing the consent form 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.

Signed.....