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From Geography Department: Amy Donnelly



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Re: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th Year Abingdon School Slovenia Expedition – Summer 2020

Abingdon School Geography Department, in partnership with STC Expeditions, are running a trip to Slovenia open to all pupils from the 3rd year through to the lower sixth. The geographical content includes glacial landscapes, fluvial-glacial features, ecological geography as well as the impact of climate change on upland landscapes. There will be three days of (manageable) hiking in the Alps and the opportunity to go white-water rafting. Destinations within Slovenia include Lake Bled, Vintgar Gorge, the Emerald River, Kočevje highland caves and brown bear trail.

The departure date will be approx. August 17 (+/-1 day depending on booking times) and it is an 8-day trip. As with the departure date, the cost of the trip is dependent upon the number of participants. The estimated maximum cost is £1880, but this price may be reduced if numbers are high enough.

We would like to invite you to a presentation & information evening at school where you can learn more about this fantastic opportunity and the amazing experiences your son could have on this educational journey. The evening will be hosted by Emma from STC Expeditions and will allow plenty of opportunity to pose any questions and receive more detailed information about the exciting venture.

STC Expeditions have been creating inspiring educational journeys and expeditions around the globe for over a decade. The team at STC Expeditions is made up of highly

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qualified and experienced adventure travel experts and plan fully supported programs to ensure maximum knowledge, experience and safety is provided. Each of our unique trips is crafted and managed by our expert team, meaning that we can provide the care and attention required for such an important investment.

This expedition also offers your child an invaluable opportunity to stand out as they progress beyond school. As well as experiencing adventurous travel abroad trips of this nature also:

- Develop personal confidence & leadership skills
- Encourage teamwork & close bonds with other participants on the trip
- Teach personal time management, financial awareness & resourcefulness
- Geography focused educational journey through Slovenia
- See a range of geographical features from mountains to gorge, caves and river systems
- Enhance their CV & university applications

STC Expeditions holds a full ATOL licence, ensuring complete financial protection and they are currently the FIRST and ONLY school expedition provider with Travelife & ChildSafe Certification, so you can be sure this adventure will be run in an ethical and sustainable way.

Please come along on Tuesday 24 September to **G102 (Geography Department)** at 6pm to hear more. As places for the trip are limited please confirm your attendance by emailing Mrs Donnelly (amy.donnelly@abingdon.org.uk). **If you are interested, but unable to attend, please register your interest with Mrs Donnelly by email.**

We look forward to seeing you there!

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