

Dear Parents/Guardians

re: Study Trip to China 2016/17

I am writing to invite your son to participate in an action-packed, educational China Study Trip for the coming academic year, from **Monday 3 April to Thursday 15 April 2017** (dates subject to confirmation once flights are booked).

This school trip will be run by The Dragon Trip Ltd Company which is a leading educational travel specialist in the UK. It has been designed to provide a rounded view of life in the real China. It is a fantastic opportunity for pupils studying Chinese to improve their command of the language and also their cultural knowledge of China. It includes a wide variety of educational, cultural, social and outdoor activities ranging from seeing the "unmissable" attractions of Beijing, Xian and Chendu, taking part in the 'day in the life' of a local school in Beijing, visiting Pandas in their homeland, to spending time at the famous Shaolin Temple and learning the art of Kung Fu (Chinese Martial arts). Please see the attached example itinerary for further details.

The estimated cost per student will be approximately **£2,225**, including visa, flights, transport, food, accommodation and tickets to attractions. This may be subject to change dependent on the level of interest and the final cost of flights.

If your son would like to participate in this trip, please return the attached reply-slip to me by Thursday 30 June with a non-refundable cheque (made payable to Abingdon School) for $\pounds700$ together with a photocopy of his passport. The remainder of the cost will be added to your School bill in two instalments of $\pounds762.50$ in July 16 (payable by the beginning of term in September 16) and December 16 (payable by beginning of term in January 2017).

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, and thereafter the School will proceed to make bookings and reservations to procure the best possible deals. The balance of payments being applied to your School bill is a means of spreading the cost rather than a reflection of when liabilities are incurred.

I look forward to hearing from you if your son wishes to participate in this unique and exciting trip.

Yours sincerely

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China Study Trip 2016/17 Reply slip Deadline: Thursday 30 June 2016

To: Mrs Gao Zhang, Masters' Common Room, Abingdon School.

Son's name..... Tutor

I would like my son to participate in the 2016/17 China Study Trip.

I enclose a £700 deposit cheque payable to Abingdon School and agree to the balance of the cost in two instalments of £762.50 being added to the July 16 and December 16 School bill.

Signed..... Date:....