



Sandringham School

'Everybody can be Somebody'

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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Student and staff visit to partner school in The Gambia
February Half Term: Friday 11th February – Friday 18th February 2022**

Sandringham has had a partnership with Farafenni Senior Secondary School in The Gambia since 2008, and with the help of a grant through the British Council, there have been several visits between the schools to cement the relationship and to pursue curriculum links. Over the years staff from both schools have travelled to their partner school

In February 2022, I am planning to take a small group of teachers and students to Farafenni to continue to develop this very special and successful relationship. As there is no longer a grant to support this link, this group would then also take the lead on fundraising.

We would spend the first two nights on the coast and then travel upcountry to the school for four nights, returning to the coast for the last evening. The approximate cost of the trip would be £1,500, plus medical costs (around £200 for inoculations, if you don't already have them, plus anti-malarials, a pre travel COVID test and a 2 day COVID test – although these are subject to change) but would depend on costs when we book, the strength of the pound and the number of people travelling.

The £1,500 includes flights, food, accommodation and transport in The Gambia.

Following a successful application, I would like to invite your son/daughter to accompany me on this trip. I would like to invite you to an information evening on **Thursday 11th November at 6.30pm** in the hall to provide you with more information regarding the trip.

We do require the initial deposit of £375 to be paid in full by Thursday 18th November. This can be done through your ParentPay. You will also receive a payment plan with further guidance on the trip at the information evening.

This link is already a meaningful part of school life and encourages global citizenship among our students. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Hannah Fryer
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