



Sandringham School

'Everybody can be Somebody'



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31st March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer and Student,

**Sandringham Sports Tour
(Football and Basketball)
Holland – Easter 2024 (current Year 7 to 9)**

We are pleased to announce the details of our Sandringham Sport tour during Easter 2024 offering an exciting opportunity for an intensive tour and demonstrate how much students and the school have to offer on an international stage.

This letter is an acknowledgement of your commitment to Sandringham sport and therefore you have been invited to attend the football and basketball tour.

The tour will be a stay in a full board hotel running from 1st April 2024 to 5th April 2024. The cost of the tour is £770, which includes:

- Executive return coach travel to Holland and sports transfers
- 4 nights full board accommodation
- Coaching sessions with Masterclass Pro Coaching Team
- Fixtures vs. local opposition
- End of tour tournaments for sports teams
- Excursion to Mosaqua Water Park
- A range of evening activities
- Awards presentation and disco
- Full board meals
- Tour kit

Should you wish your child to participate an initial **non-refundable deposit of £150 is required by 21st April 2023 via ParentPay** followed by the payment plan below:

£150 – non-refundable deposit by 21st April 2023

£220 – 30th June 2023

£200 – 29th Sept 2023

£200 – 30th November 2023



Your child will be notified soon after if they have gained a place on this trip and arrangements for outstanding instalments will then be available on ParentPay. If your child is not successful in gaining a place, your deposit will be refunded. Should you have any queries, please email trips@sandringham.herts.sch.uk

In addition to this 2024 tour we are planning a larger long-haul trip for the Easter holidays 2025 to include football, basketball and netball and may influence your decision for your child to attend this trip to Holland. Although in the early planning stages we envisage the 2025 trip to be approximately £2,500 for Year 8-10 in that academic year.

It is imperative that payment deadlines for this trip are strictly adhered to so that we can make the necessary payments to the tour operator and ensure that adequate numbers are secured. If payments are not received by the instalment dates, we would have no choice but to remove your child from the trip. Please note, that by accepting your child's place on this trip, you are undertaking to make full payment by the given deadlines. Please also note that Masterclass do not differ from other tour companies with regards to cancellations and cancellation fees will apply.

The school will follow all advice given by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Department for Education and our tour operators when it comes to overseas travel for school trips. The tours operators we use provide both ABTA and ATOL protection as part of our tour packages. In the event that the FCO advises "against all travel" to an area or region, then these policies provide protection to prevent any loss in case of necessary cancellation. The school holds travel insurance through the Department for Education Risk Protection Arrangement (RPA) which provides cover in case of travel disruption, medical issues and other emergencies. This insurance does not cover any personal items including money, phones, gadgets and clothing in case of loss, damage or theft. Should you decide to remove your child from any trip where travel is still advised then this will not be covered by insurance, ABTA or ATOL.

Participation in this trip is subject to good conduct in school prior to the trip taking place. If any student's behaviour or attitude is in question and they are removed from the trip due to their conduct, any monies paid to date may not be refunded.

If you have any queries please feel free to get in contact and I will endeavour to answer any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

David Keenleyside
Director of PE