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Dear Parents/Guardians

RUGBY TOUR TO SOUTH AFRICA – SUMMER 2021

I am writing regarding the proposed Bishop Wordsworth's Rugby tour during Summer 2021 to South Africa, which we hope to be accessible to the majority of rugby players in the current Years 10 and 11.

I would now like to give your son the opportunity of being a member of the tour party. The cost of the tour will be £3000 depending on numbers and includes the following:

- Economy class return flights
- All current airport and fuel taxes as we know them to be at the time of this quotation
- All accommodation while away – hotels/hostels/billets
- Most meals
- Return coach transfers: airport / hotel / airport
- All transfers in South Africa
- Probable Destinations (to be fully confirmed):
 - Goedgedacht
 - Stellenbosch
 - Cape Town
 - Johannesburg
 - Mabula Game Reserve
- Potential Excursions (to be fully confirmed):
 - Table Mountain
 - Robben Island
 - Ellispark Stadium
 - Apartheid Museum
 - Mabula Game Lodge & two Games Drives
 - Lions Test Match FNB Stadium
- Additional Excursions (fundraising permitting)
 - Cape Peninsular Tour
 - Cape Canopy Tour
 - Stellenbosch Cheetah Sanctuary
- Arrangements and co-ordination of three or four suitable fixtures with after match functions
- 'Meet and Greet' and 24 hr emergency contact with a Sports Travel representative
- Tour kit

- Travel insurance, covering the tour dates only.

I am unable, at this point, to give a definite date of departure or full duration, but currently we are looking at 13th July 2021 departure, returning on 25th July 2021. When the itinerary for the tour is finalised copies will be sent out to tour party members and their families.

I would like to make clear that there will be no reduction in the tour cost as a result of fundraising/sponsorship. A fundraising/sponsorship committee will be set up in due course and we would hope to raise substantial funds in order to subsidise the boys own costs while on tour and access the additional excursions. **We are looking for volunteers to run the fundraising/sponsorship committee.**

We are searching for sponsors for the tour playing and training kit, which will be worn on tour and then in preparation to the regular school fixtures back at home. Other proven fundraising activities include rugby match day BBQs (volunteers required), Race Nights, student socials and bag packing. Bag packing for previous tours raised nearly £1000 a session. If you would be interested in being a part of a committee or have any ideas that you would like to put forward please do get in touch with me via my email at the bottom of the page. **Similarly if you're interested in sponsorship or know of anyone who might be, please get in touch.**

All tour members will be expected to organise at least an individual £100 supporter. All supporters will be recognised via a tour program that will be circulated electronically to all current students and alumni.

If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity to tour, please pay a deposit of **£300** (non refundable) by **Friday 7 February 2020**

To pay please access WisePay through your sons Insight account and select **'WisePay Finance Portal'** the item can be found under the **Trips and Visit Tab**. If you have any issues accessing WisePay please email Trips@bws.wilts.sch.uk, Parents/Guardians who may find it difficult to meet the deadline for payment should contact the Finance Office on ext 260.

Please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss any aspect of the tour or if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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