

October 2022

Dear Parent,

I am delighted to inform you that **Penrice Academy** is offering your child the chance to join an exciting trip to **Ghana** in **July 2023**, to spend time volunteering at schools in a developing area of **Woe**.

The trip is organised by African Adventures, who specialise in educational trips for young people in the UK. African Adventures' partner schools provide a free education for children from underprivileged backgrounds, and volunteers help support the long-term development of the schools. Your child can choose to help with teaching and sports coaching or building and renovation work. Whilst they will undoubtedly make a difference, your child also stands to learn so much about the wider world during this challenging experience.

Most students raise the majority of their trip costs through fundraising, which helps to develop their enterprise skills. The school and African Adventures will provide lots of support and ideas to help with this. More detail will be given about this at the information evening.

The **10-night** trip will depart on **10<sup>th</sup> July 2023** and costs **£2,400**. This includes return flights, accommodation, food, transport, project costs, travel insurance, ATOL protection and the Volta Adventure Weekend where students take a walk through a protected monkey sanctuary and feed them their breakfast, spend the night relaxing at a beautiful lodge before visiting the tallest waterfall in Ghana, Wli Falls with the chance to hike up Mount Afadjato, the highest mountain in Ghana. The only costs not included are any vaccinations or medication prior to travel, visa fees and a small amount of spending money for the trip.

All trips are ATOL protected and the company has organised trips for thousands of people in the UK. The organisation is also a member of the School Travel Forum and has been awarded the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge.

A comprehensive travel insurance policy is included in the cost of the trip, which includes special Covid-19 cover in the event that your child cannot travel due to contracting Covid-19, or being 'pinged' by Track and Trace prior to departure. The policy also provides cover for any medical treatment required whilst abroad and the resulting curtailment of their participation in the trip.

We would like to invite you to an information evening at **6pm** on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October**, where parents and students will be able to find out more and ask any questions about this exciting opportunity.

Places on the trip will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. There will be a deposit of £195.00 required by **7<sup>th</sup> November** to secure your child's place and this can be paid online after the information evening.

We would love to see you there!

For more information about the trip and to confirm that you are coming to the information evening, please visit [www.african-adventures.co.uk/penrice](http://www.african-adventures.co.uk/penrice) and click 'Register to Attend'.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Garrod