



15th October 2018

Dear Parent / Carer

**Netball Tour to Barbados
October Half Term 2019
Year 11's → into year 12 at RVHS**

It is with great excitement that I write to inform you of this exciting opportunity on offer at Roding Valley High School for October Half Term 2019 (Thursday 17th October – Friday 25th October 2019). We will be offering a Netball tour to the beautiful Caribbean island of Barbados. The tour will be conducted during October half term 2019, when your child will be at the start of year 12. Based on this, your child will need to be attending RVHS sixth form, and thus, selection for this trip will be based on current year 11 grades.

The cost of this trip will be **£1860.00**. This will include:

- Transport to Heathrow or Gatwick airport
- Return flights from UK to Bridgetown, Barbados with either British Airways or Virgin Atlantic
- All airport, airline and government taxes
- Baggage Allowance of 23kg's per person
- 7 Nights' accommodation at the 4* Coconut Court Beachfront Hotel (based on twin/triple rooms) & 1 night in flight (return leg) accommodation
- Ground transportation provided for scheduled activities
- Full board to include buffet breakfast daily, lunch each day and either buffet, A La carte or themed dinners for the duration of the stay
- Minimum of 4 pre-arranged matches against similar standard local opposition (either school or club teams)
- Two team training sessions
- Use of local training facilities
- Personalised Canterbury holdall per person
- Services of an Edwin Doran tour co-ordinator throughout stay

We are aiming to fundraise approximately **£100** per student so they can enjoy the following exciting activities, as well as receive a personalised tour jumper and/or playing T-shirt:

- Day trip excursion on a Tiarni Catamaran Cruise (including snorkel equipment)
- Visit to Harrison's Cave (including tram ride around caves)
- Afternoon enjoying a Boatyard Beach party (including use of all equipment and facilities)
- Personalised tour jumper and/or playing T-shirt



*Should you not wish your child to participate in the fundraising activities, you will be required to pay an additional upfront payment of **£100** to cover the cost of the above listed excursions. Alternatively, please contact me if you have any fundraising ideas to help raise these additional funds.*

For a detailed itinerary, please visit the link below. You will also need to use this link to indicate your interest for your child to attend this trip.

<https://toolkit.edwindoran.com/tour/view/rdv15812-2>

Monthly instalments are set out as follows and payments will need to be made by the following dates:

- Initial Deposit of **£300** due by **Friday 26th October 2018**
- Payment 2 of **£175** due by **Sunday 4th November 2018**
- Payment 3 of **£175** due by **Friday 7th December 2018**
- Payment 4 of **£175** due by **Friday 4th January 2019**
- Payment 5 of **£175** due by **Friday 1st February 2019**
- Payment 6 of **£175** due by **Friday 1st March 2019**
- Payment 7 of **£175** due by **Friday 5th April 2019**
- Payment 8 of **£175** due by **Friday 3rd May 2019**
- Payment 9 of **£175** due by **Friday 7th June 2019**
- Balance of **£160** due by **Friday 5th July 2019**

These payments will need to be made via ParentPay or cheque made payable to RVHS. No cash payments will be accepted. If you need assistance with ParentPay, please contact the finance department on finance@rodingvalley.net. In addition, your child's place on the tour will be at risk if you fail to keep up with the regular monthly payments.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any queries regarding any aspects of this exciting trip.

Yours faithfully



Miss C Edwards
PE/Science Teacher
Barbados Netball Tour Leader



Mr R Mammen
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