



St. Paul's School

MANIBUS POTENTIA STUDIUM ANIMIS

20th May 2015

Dear Parents,

## **DUKE OF EDINBURGH INTERNATIONAL AWARD – SILVER AWARD**

I am writing to inform you about the forthcoming **Duke of Edinburgh International Award (Silver)** trip that St. Paul's pupils will undertake in June 2015.

The International Award 2015 Silver Expedition (qualifying) will take place in the Parque Nacional Serra da Bocaina mountain range, and will consist of a mountain hike traverse, from the city of São José do Barreiro (SP) to Vila Mambucaba (RJ - between Paraty and Angra dos Reis). From June 2nd to 5th, students will complete a 3 day, 2 night expedition. Treehouse Outdoor Education will be responsible for the logistical operation of the trip, arranging for transportation, hotel, guides, technical equipment and restaurants. The transport will be a 46 seat bus (from Leads Transportes), with air conditioning, dvd and wc, from São Paulo to São José do Barreiro, and then from Mambucaba to São Paulo.

### **The itinerary is as follows:**

**Tuesday 2nd June:** Students will depart from school at **10:00 am**, with destination São José do Barreiro (SP). We will take the Ayrton Senna/Carvalho Pinto highways, then Dutra highway up to the town of Queluz, and then a vicinal road to our destination. The distance São Paulo – São José do Barreiro is 267 km.

### **Link (Google Maps) showing the route:**

<http://goo.gl/maps/CmLGQ>

The group will have lunch on the road (included) and arrive in São José do Barreiro at approximately 3:00 pm. From there we will take hired vehicles up the mountain range to Pousada Lageado (2 hours). The pousada is located near the entrance of Parque Nacional Serra da Bocaina, where the trail starts. The group will camp and have dinner (included) at the pousada.

**Wednesday 3rd June:** After breakfast (included) we will leave the pousada at 8:00 am and walk to the park entrance (2 km). We will hike from there to our first campsite (18 km / 7 hours). The whole hike takes place within the park boundaries. This first day we will walk an old dirt road, where only 4 x 4 vehicles can access, and only in case of emergencies or for locals who live there. We will pass by two very impressive waterfalls. The campsite is on the grounds of a pousada inside the park, Pousada Barreirinhas. Students will be able to use a limited infrastructure to cook and have hot showers.

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**Thursday 4th June:** The hike continues the following morning after breakfast, another 15 km (approx. 6 hours) to our second campsite, also on the grounds of an isolated pousada, but with nice infrastructure (hot showers included). This location is next to the most impressive waterfall in the park, and 5th biggest waterfall in Brasil, Cachoeira dos Veados.

**Friday 5th June:** After putting down the campsite the hike continues down the Serra da Bocaina, walking the old "Gold Trail". The hike is steep and most of the way on the old stones that used to pave the path. This last day will be 18 km long, approximately 7 hours walking. The group will arrive in the village of Mambucaba (between Paraty and Angra dos Reis) at approximately 3:00 / 4:00 pm, where the bus will be waiting to go back to São Paulo. We will take the Rio Santos Highway to Vila Patrimônio (20 km south of Paraty – on the way to São Paulo) for an early dinner (included), then continue to Caraguatatuba. From there we take the Tamoios Highway to the Carvalho Pinto Highway, and then São Paulo. We **will arrive at school at approximately 10:30 pm.**

The cost of the expedition per student will be R\$ 1.500,00 if 17 pupils attend. The school will contribute 50% towards the cost and therefore we will be asking the participant to pay for the other 50%, which will be **R\$ 750,00 per pupil.** Returning the consent form will imply that your son/daughter will be attending the trip and you will therefore be billed for R\$ 750,00 of the cost irrespective if your son/daughter attends the trip.

**MEDICAL INFORMATION:** It is vital that parents make sure the medical information we hold about your child is up-to-date and contains all the relevant information for going on this school journey. Parents can view the medical information we hold for their children on our confidential online database: [parents.stpauls.br](http://parents.stpauls.br)

*If you have forgotten your username and password please email [cmk@stpauls.br](mailto:cmk@stpauls.br)*

**An authenticated copy of your child's I.D. card or passport will be required for travel.** Please note that according to EMBRATUR the law is absolutely restrictive regarding documentation. Please make sure your child has the original ID (or the authenticated copy) with them during the trip. Without the correct documentation your child **will not** be allowed to travel.

#### **General Conditions and Information:**

- © Treehouse Educação ao Ar Livre is an intermediary between its passengers and its suppliers (bus, boat and other services) and cannot be held responsible for the suppliers' failures or mistakes. However, should they cause any setbacks all efforts will be made to ensure the best solution.
- © Treehouse reserves the right to change the programme because of the weather conditions or any other reasons beyond their control.

The contact telephone number while we are away will be **(11) 99618 2054** but this should only be used in emergencies. If you have any further questions regarding the field course please do not hesitate to contact me at School by email on [gwc@stpauls.br](mailto:gwc@stpauls.br)

Yours sincerely,

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Graham Case  
Duke of Edinburgh Award Co-ordinator



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**EXCURSÃO: PRÊMIO DE SILVER DO DUQUE DE EDINBURGO  
TERÇA-FEIRA 2 - SEXTA-FEIRA 5 JUNHO 2015**

***THE INTERNATIONAL AWARD EXPEDITION (SILVER)  
TUESDAY 2ND – FRIDAY 5TH JUNE 2015***

**CANHOTO DE PERMISSÃO**

***CONSENT FORM (To be returned by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May to Graham Case)***

**Autorizo meu filho(a) a participar da viagem acima. Estou ciente de que meu filho(a) participará da excursão e de que um membro da St. Paul's School poderá permitir que ele(a) receba tratamento médico. Concordo com esses termos. Confirmo que as informações médicas contidas no SchoolBase Online a respeito de meu filho estão corretas ([parents.stpauls.br](http://parents.stpauls.br)).**

*I give my permission for my son/daughter to take part in the above trip. I understand that whilst my son or daughter is taking part on this expedition, that any member of St. Paul's School staff may need to give permission for them to receive Medical Treatment, and agree to this. I can confirm that my child's medical information that the School holds on SchoolBase Online is accurate ([parents.stpauls.br](http://parents.stpauls.br))*

Nome do aluno | *Pupil's name* \_\_\_\_\_

Assinatura | *Signed* \_\_\_\_\_

Data | *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

It must be emphasised that, as well as being an exciting experience for your son or daughter they will be representing St. Paul's School. It is imperative that the pupils understand the need to abide by instructions to ensure their own safety and the smooth running of this Field Course. Should pupils decide not to abide by these expectations then the possibility exists that they may be returned home at the parents' expense. We would be grateful if you could reinforce this message at home.

Pupil's Signature \_\_\_\_\_