



St. Paul's School

MANIBUS POTENTIA STUDIUM ANIMIS

Tuesday 12th May, 2015

Dear Parents,

FORM 1 TRIP TO BROTAS: TUESDAY 16TH (LEAVING AT 07:00) THURSDAY 18TH JUNE (17:00) 2015

For the end of term, we are organising a field Trip for Form 1 to go to a camp in Brotas. This is the same place they went in Prep 4, however, the programme and depth of content will be very different.

Brotas is a small town 280km from São Paulo on the Bandeirantes. The pupils will be staying at the **Fazenda Estância Peraltas**, which is a camp for children. The accommodation will be in dormitories with 8 or 9 children sleeping in a room. Each room will have a monitor to supervise.

The two educational themes the pupils will follow will be on:

- **Exploring the Cosmos:** The *Centre de Estudo do Universo* is a highly sophisticated observatory that houses Brazil's strongest telescope. When the nights are clear the pupils will be able to look deep into space. **This is a topic that Form 1s have been learning in Science this year.**
- **Mini-beasts:** Using microscopes the pupils will carry out a study of bacteria, parasites and germs and investigate how they eat and reproduce. **This is a topic that Form 1s will be learning in Science next academic year in Form 2.**

Their work within these subject areas will enable them to enhance their study skills in the particular curriculum disciplines of science and mathematics, as well as giving them an opportunity outside the classroom to develop other key skills, for instance of research, collaboration and critical thinking. As well as this academic pursuit, we are sure that the pupils will enjoy the tremendous array of facilities at Brotas, which include swimming pools, water slides, sports courts, football fields, games rooms, rafting, tree climbing, tennis courts, trampolines and a climbing wall.

The pupils will be accompanied by Mr Newton (group leader) and six other teachers from the Senior School. There will also be an additional eight specialised monitors at the camp who will accompany the pupils at all times.

There will also be an information meeting for parents on Thursday 28th May 2015 at 08:20 in the chapel.

HAVE WE GOT YOUR CHILD'S UP-TO-DATE MEDICAL RECORDS? 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 expedition. Parents can view the medical information we hold for their children on our confidential online database: parents.stpauls.br. If you have forgotten your username and password please email our data manager, Miss Kato (cmk@stpauls.br).

Please return the consent form below to your child's tutor by **Monday 20th May**. You are also required to complete the Peraltas consent form as well which is attached to this email as a pdf.

In addition to signing the consent forms, it is necessary to provide a notarised copy of your child's ID/passport. The law has changed and now it is necessary for the teacher in charge to have this document for any journey that leaves the city. We have the photocopied documents that were passed on to us from Prep School, but some of these are not notarised. Adriana will inform you in a separate email to if you need to provide a notarised copy.

All the information that is in this letter is also available on Firefly: senior.stpauls.br/form-1/brotas.

ACTION REQUIRED BY PARENT

- (1) Please complete the school consent form which is below as well as the Peraltas consent form (attached to this email) and return by **Monday 18th May** to your child's tutor
- (2) You are invited to attend an Information Morning about the trip of **Thursday 28th May at 08:20 in the Chapel**.
- (3) Read the check list of items that the pupils need on the last page of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Newton
Head of Form 1

F1 VIAGEM DE BROTAS, DE TERÇA-FEIRA 16 À QUINTA-FEIRA 18 DE JUNHO 2015

**FORM ONE BROTAS FIELDTRIP
TUESDAY 16TH - THURSDAY 18TH JUNE, 2015**

CANHOTO DE PERMISSÃO

CONSENT FORM (*To be returned by Monday 20th May to your child's tutor*)

Eu concedo minha permissão ao meu filho/minha filha a participar da viagem de campo acima. Entendo e estou de acordo que, enquanto meu filho/minha filha estiver acompanhando a viagem de campo, qualquer membro academico da Escola Britânica de São Paulo pode autorizar que ele/ela receba tratamento médico. Eu também confirmo que as informações médicas do meu filho/milha filha que a escola mantém no Schoolbase on-line são precisas.

I give my permission for my son/daughter to attend the above field course. I understand that whilst my son or daughter is taking part in the Field Course, 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 also confirm that my child's medical information that the School holds on Schoolbase Online is accurate.

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 _____

F1 TRIP TO BROTAS - CLOTHING LIST

Item Suggested quantity

Socks	4 pairs
Underpants	4
Shorts	5
T-shirts	6
Pyjamas/night-dress	1
Trainers/Gym shoes	2 pairs
Reef walkers or shoes that can get wet	1
Trousers	2
Sweater/sweatshirts	2
Raincoat (waterproof jacket)	1
Sun hat/cap (essential)	1
Swimsuit/swimming trunks	2
Flip flops (Havaianas)	1 pair
Bathrobe or pool towel	1

Toiletry kit	Assorted items
Soap	Small hand towel
Toothbrush	Bath towel
Toothpaste/dental floss	Sheets
Brush/comb	blanket or sleeping bag
Shampoo/conditioner	Pillow
Insect repellent	Small back-pack (mochila)
Suntan lotion (lots!)	Book
	2 large plastic bags for wet clothes
	Small torch and extra batteries
	Water bottle

<u>Prohibited (banned!)</u>	<u>Optional</u>
This is a country trip – you must NOT take any of these:	(Pupil's responsibility)
Electronic games of any sort	Mobile phones
Radios	MP3 players, I-pods
Roller blades or skates	Camera
Penknives or any form of weapon	binoculars
Chewing gum	Tennis racquet and balls
	Ping Pong racquet and balls