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Dear Parents

Beijing Exchange

Please accept our apologies for the delay in updating you on the Beijing Exchange, but we are now in a position to be able to give you more details regarding this.

The approved dates are:

1. Beijing's school visit to the UK: 23 September to 06 October 2018
2. St. John's to China: 27/28 October to 04 November 2018 (arriving on Sunday)

You will notice that our visit to Beijing will now take place during October half term. This decision has been made by Senior Leadership, in line with school policy. Furthermore, adverse weather conditions and Chinese holidays have made it difficult to secure a date at any other time.

The Beijing Partner School has already drafted an exciting timetable for our students, which will include visits to lessons, learning Chinese calligraphy and painting, watching a Kung Fu Sports Competition and visiting the Imperial Palace in the Forbidden City and the Chinese Wall.

The trip leader Mr Chris Field visited the school during the Easter Holidays and was very impressed with the facilities and the sights. He will soon be inviting you to an information evening to inform you about his experiences.

The proposed cost for this visit will be around £850, and we should be able to inform you about the exact costing in due course.

We would be very grateful if you could let us know as soon as possible if your child is not able to participate any longer.

Thank you very much again for your patience.

Kind regards

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