



# WOODLANDS RING PRIMARY SCHOOL

Parent Circular No.: 066/16

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26 February 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian,

## **PARENTS' BRIEFING FOR P5 OVERSEAS LEARNING JOURNEY TO KOTA KINABALU 2016**

1. With reference to the Parent Circular 44/ 16, the mentioned Parents' Briefing cum Question and Answer session on the P5 Overseas Learning Journey (OLJ) to Kota Kinabalu is on **Tuesday, 1 March 2016 from 6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.** At the briefing, the travel agent will be providing details on the trip and safety measures that will be taken.
2. Please complete the attached reply slip and return it to me through your child/ward by **Monday 29 February 2016.**
3. We look forward to seeing you at the briefing. Thank you.

### **Acknowledgement of Cash Received & EDUSAVE form**

4. The total cost for each child is \$808. The school is subsidising 60% of the total cost while the other 40%, \$323.20, is borne by the pupil. The latter amount is partially to be paid in cash and using the Pupil Fund.
5. We have received the cash of \$140 from your child and attached the receipt for the cash collection.
6. A personalized Edusave form is attached for your approval for the withdrawal of \$183.20 Please complete the attached Edusave form.
7. Should you need any clarification or assistance, please contact the general office at 63643490.

Partner-in-education,

Mdm Siti Mazni  
SH VIA/ TIE

cc. Ms Chiam Lee Meng  
Principal

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**Reply Slip**

Index No:
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To: SH VIA/ TIE, Woodlands Ring Primary School

Pupil's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Class: Primary 5 \_\_\_\_\_

## **PARENTS' BRIEFING FOR P5 OVERSEAS LEARNING JOURNEY TO KOTA KINABALU 2016**

I am **able / unable** to attend the Parents' Briefing session on **Tuesday, 1 March 2016.**

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Name & Signature of \*parent/guardian  
*\*Please delete where appropriate*

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Date

**WOODLANDS RING PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**P5 OVERSEAS LEARNING JOURNEY TO KOTA KINABALU 2016**  
**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**SECTION A: SAFETY AND MOVEMENT OF PUPILS**

**Q. *What activities are they doing? Are there any dangerous or water activities?***

A. There will be visits to places of geographical, historical and cultural importance in Kota Kinabalu. No dangerous or water activities are included in the itinerary.

**Q. *What happens if my child is lost or cannot find the bus/group? What if he/she gets lost at Customs?***

A. The teacher to pupil ratio is 1: 5 and the movement of pupils through Customs is overseen by all the teachers who are coming along this trip. Hence it is unlikely that your child will get lost. Your child will also be issued with a lanyard and a cap for identification purposes, which he/she is required to wear at all times. Your child will also be briefed about what he/she should do in the event that he/she is separated from his/her group. In addition, qualified and experienced tour manager and guides are attached to each bus.

**Q. *Who will accompany my child as he/she travels around?***

A. The teachers-in-charge will accompany the class throughout the trip.

**Q. *Can my child stay on the bus and not participate in the activities if he/she does not want to?***

A. No. If your child has valid reasons for not wanting to participate in the activities, he/she will be attended to by teachers. He/she will never be left alone in the bus.

**Q. *What actions will be taken if my child is sick or injured? Who will take care of him/her?***

A. The teacher-in-charge will first attend to your child if he/she is unwell. He/she will then be referred to the nearest hospital or clinic. A teacher will take care of him or her.

**Q. *Is there any medication available? Can my child bring his/her own medicine?***

A. We will bring along first-aid kits. Yes, your child must bring his/her own medicine, provided it has been prescribed by a doctor. (e.g. inhaler)

**Q. *Are there any clinic services or hospitals nearby? How is my child going to see the doctor?***

A. Yes. Clinics and hospitals are nearby. We will ferry the child to the nearest clinic or hospital in the event of an emergency.

**Q. *Can I fetch my child from the immigration checkpoints on return?***

A. Yes. You will be required to fetch your child from the airport.

## SECTION B: PUPILS' PERSONAL BELONGINGS

**Q. How much money – Singapore and Malaysia dollars – should my child bring? Can they buy things such as food and souvenirs?**

- A. We recommend that your child brings not more than RM150. Yes, he/she may buy items but the purchasing of items will be controlled by teachers. Your child needs to bring **at least 5** small & affordable souvenirs for their friends in Kota Kinabalu as a token of appreciation for hosting them.

**Q. Can parents call anytime? Can my child call home anytime? Can my child bring along a mobile phone?**

- A. No. Pupils have to focus on the learning journey. Permission to call home will be granted at the discretion of the teachers. **The use of mobile phones is strictly after 9.15 p.m. Our lights out policy is at 10 p.m. Please refrain from calling your child after 10 p.m.**

**Q. Who will take care of the passport during the trip? What if the passport is lost?**

- A. Teachers-in-charge will take charge of the passport. If it is indeed lost, a search will be made and necessary action will be taken by the teachers.

## SECTION C: FOOD AND BEVERAGES

**Q. What kind of food will you be providing?**

- A. *Halal* food including seafood, chicken, vegetables, soup, and desserts will be served at meals. No beef or pork will be served.

**Q. What about water supply? Are you going to supply mineral water throughout or will water be provided by the hotel?**

- A. Pupils are not allowed to consume any water from pipes. Mineral water will be provided to the pupils on a daily basis.

**Q. What if my child cannot consume any of the food served?**

- A. We have already informed the vendors in advance about the types of food allergies that some of our pupils have. This is to ensure there are alternatives. Also the menu has been endorsed by teachers.

## SECTION D: OTHERS

**Q. Will the whole trip be directed by the teachers, tour guides or both?**

- A. Teachers are at the helm of operations and the tour guides will take instructions from us.

**Q. Can my child wear chains and/or amulets for protection during the activities?**

- A. For your child's safety, please do not permit them to wear any form of chains, amulets and/or jewellery.