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St Andrew's Cathedral School International Tours 2017-2019

St Andrew's Cathedral School has a long history of organising educational tour groups of students and staff to many parts of the world. These have essentially been designed to advance knowledge and gain experience in areas such as choir, music, outdoor education, languages, sport and subjects such as history.

These tours provide amazing opportunities to extend a student's breadth of knowledge, experience and education about the world in which we live. The provision of opportunities for students to participate in experiences in international settings is a means of reinforcing and supplementing the curriculum offerings of the school and of enriching a student's personal development.

In addition to the global learning that occurs, there is something immeasurable about time away with peers and those in year levels above and below that adds to the experience for students. I have personally witnessed immense personal growth and maturity by students who return with an appreciation for both the environment in which they live and the environments in which others live.

Some comments about the benefits provided include:

- Human memory is picture oriented and not word oriented



- Along with professional skill development, students can get the chance to try out the languages they've studied with native speakers. They can build independence and confidence as they explore new places and local customs.
- Students can actually see and develop their knowledge of places and people they've learned about in the classroom. They can gain a deeper understanding of real life situations and trends than a book can ever convey.

In these pages, you will discover an amazing array of opportunities for students to embark on an international tour. I have sought to provide an outline of upcoming programmes for 2017, as well as looking a bit further into the future, to allow students and parents the opportunity to plan for specific tours in years to come.

It should be noted that many tours are repeated approximately every two years, excluding the Year 11 History tour every September and community service tours at the end of each year. All tours will take place during school holiday periods.

There are also a number of factors that determine whether a tour actually occurs, these include:

- Sufficient numbers of students to make the trip financially viable
- Appropriate staff and numbers of staff for the tour
- Risk. At times problems may arise in countries of intended travel where the Department of Foreign Affairs advises against travel or the school believes the risk is too great for the students. This may mean a trip is cancelled.

Students and parents must meet certain requirements in order to attend. These include:

- The overall behavioural and academic standards of attending students must meet expected criteria
- Students and parents must sign an on-tour behaviour expectation form
- Financial obligations are met within the specified time periods.

A brief description is provided for each of the tours. Should you wish to find out more about a particular trip, it is best to email the department or coordinating staff member for complete details.

I am excited about the tours planned – I want to go on all of them! I hope you find this information helpful as you plan and work with your sons and daughters to determine which ones they may like to be part of.

Ric van Wachem

*Director of Sport and
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2017	Year Group	Approx Price	Countries	Departments	Organising Staff Member
Term 1 – April school holidays					
Argentina Sports Tour	Years 9-12	\$6,500	Argentina	Football, Basketball, Hockey	Ric van Wachem
Languages China Tour: 7-12 April	Years 5-9	\$4,600	China	Languages	Samuel Chan, Dominique Haynes
Drama	Years 10-12 (2017)	\$7,800	Canada, USA	Drama	Ryan Desaulnier
Term 2 – June/July school holidays					
HSIE	Years 10-11	Approx \$6000	Germany, Netherlands, Bosnia, Herzegovina	HSIE	Jenna Ryan
Term 3 – September school holidays					
History Tour: 22 Sept - 9 Oct	Year 11 History	\$7-\$8000	Russia, Germany, Italy	History	Michael Neate, Pam Panczyk
Term 4 – December-January holidays					
Ski Tour to Japan in Jan (2 weeks)	Years 8-11	\$3,500	Japan	Across all curricular	Ric van Wachem
TEAR Service Learning tour to India	Years 8-11	\$2,500	India	Across all curricular	Richard Ford
2018	Year Group	Approx Price	Countries	Departments	Organising Staff Member
Term 1 – April school holidays					
Music Tour	All year groups	\$7,500	England	Languages and Music	Ralph Wilcock, Christian Watson
Languages: Spanish and French	Years 10-12	\$6,500	France and Spain	Languages and Music	Dominique Haynes
Term 2 – June/July school holidays					
Science, Art: 24 June - 7 July	Years 10-11 (2017)	\$7800 approx	Italy, Switzerland, France and England	Science and Art	TBC
Term 3 – September school holidays					
History Tour: 28 Sept -15 Oct	Year 11	\$7-\$8000	Russia, Germany, Italy	History	Michael Neate, Pam Panczyk
Senior College, IB, Geography, Outdoor Ed	Years 10-11	\$8,500	Tanzania	Senior College, IB, Geography, Outdoor Ed	David Lindsay, Outdoor Ed
Term 4 – December-January holidays					
TEAR Service Learning tour	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC
2019	Year Group	Approx Price	Countries	Departments	Organising Staff Member
Term 1 – April school holidays					
Languages China Tour 7 -20 April	Years 5-9	\$4700 approx	China	Languages	Samuel Chan, Dominique Haynes
International Sports Tour	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC
Term 2 – June/July school holidays					
Term 3 – September school holidays					
History Tour 27 Sept -14 Oct	Year 11	\$7-\$8000	Russia, Germany, Italy	History	Michael Neate, Pam Panczyk
Drama Tour	Years 10-12	TBC	Canada, USA	Drama	Ryan Desaulnier
Term 4 – December-January holidays					
Ski tour to the United States, Canada	Years 8-11	TBC	Canada, USA	Across curricular	Ric van Wachem
TEAR Service Learning tour	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC

Highlights of 2017



Sport tour for Years 9-12 students to Argentina 9-21 April 2017 (13 days)

Approx. cost \$6500

The tour to Argentina takes students to a country rarely visited by Australians. Argentina's English influence means it has representation in many of our Aussie sports, including rugby, football, hockey and basketball. SACS students will compete in football, hockey and basketball against three different Argentinian schools.

Key elements of the tour include

- Training sessions with head coaches of key teams within Argentina
- Involvement with a community project at an orphanage
- A tour to the Andes, including the ancient city of Mendoza

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Languages tour for Years 5-9 students to China April 2017

Approx. cost \$4600

China promises a variety of experiences from the highly developed cities of Shanghai and Beijing to the farm lands of northern and western China. A land abounding in history, the students visit the Terracotta Warriors and the Great Wall of China. Despite being a languages tour, this trip would be worthwhile for any student interested in China and its culture.

Key elements of the tour include:

- Visit the city of Xian and the famous Terracotta Warriors
- Visit Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City, the centre of the Ming and Qing dynasties
- Climb the Great Wall of China and visit one of the key venues of the 2008 Olympic Games.

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Drama tour for Years 10-12 students to Canada and USA April 2017

Approx. cost \$7800

This tour incorporates workshops and attendance at performances, providing students with a vast array of drama experiences that will add to their knowledge of drama on a world stage. Incorporating the cities of New York, Toronto and then a final stay on the lake next to Niagara Falls, this will stimulate the students' artistic thinking!

Key elements of the tour include

- Workshops with Stella Adler, Broadway Classroom, Second City Improvisation and Shaw Festival
- Visit Radio City Music Hall and the Lincoln Centre in New York City
- Attendance at five dramatic performances, including the Soul Pepper Theatre Company and a Broadway musical.

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HSIE tour for Years 10-11 students to Germany, The Netherlands and Herzegovina June 2017

Approx. cost: \$6500

Designed for students studying Economics, Business, Legal Studies or Psychology, this trip visits The Hague where so much of international law originates. Included within the tour are visits to the International Criminal Court and International Court of Justice.

In Frankfurt, students visit the European Central Bank and Nuremberg Courtroom. In Sarajevo, a tour of the historic city includes many of the sites rebuilt from the 1990s war, along with the Siege of Sarajevo tunnel and museum.

Key elements of the tour include

- An introduction to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in Nuremberg.
- Enhanced teaching on the mandate, structure and activities of the International Criminal Court
- A study of the 1945 Nuremberg Trials and its link with the International Criminal Court

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Highlights of 2017



Annual history tour for Year 11 students to Russia, Germany and Italy September 2017

Approx. cost \$8000

Exploring some of the amazing cities of Europe, this annual tour includes visits to Vatican City, the Colosseum and Roman Forum in Rome, key World War II sites in Germany, and the Kremlin, Red Square and key revolution sites from 1917.

Key elements of the tour include:

- Exploring the 'Cities of Vesuvius', a core unit of study in HSC Ancient History
- A tour of the Nazi concentration camp Sachsenhausen
- A guided tour of the Vatican, including the Sistine Chapel and St Peter's Basilica

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Ski tour for Years 8-12 students to Japan January 2018

Approximate cost: \$2800

A unique opportunity for a small group of students to ski/snowboard some of the best powder (hopefully) in the world over eight days in Niseko, Hokkaido, the most northern island of Japan. Students applying must be entering Year 9 in 2018 or older. The trip is designed for students of intermediate to advanced ability.

Key highlights of the tour include:

- Skiing world class powder that is unique in the world!
- Experiencing a different culture
- Two days in Tokyo, one at Disneyland.

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Highlight tour of 2018



Science and art tour for Years 10-11 students to Italy, Switzerland, England and The Netherlands June 2018

Approx. cost: \$7500

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An amazing opportunity for students to visit some of the world's greatest science laboratories and museums, to meet scientists working at the cutting edge of research and to explore the history of scientific endeavour. Highlights include the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam, exploring both Da Vinci's art and science in Florence and visiting CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research. Here physicists and engineers are probing the fundamental structure of the universe, using the world's largest and most complex scientific instruments.



TEAR Service Learning trip to India December 2017

Approximate cost: \$2500

In 2017, we begin our association with TEAR, a non-profit organisation working in the developing world. This will be a strategic alliance seeking to have St Andrew's students looking outwardly

and serving others. Part of the school's Service Learning Programme will be an annual tour to an area or village that we support in India. The programme is very much in line with our focus on growing students who have Hearts that Love, Minds that Grow and Lives that Give.

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