

Saint Ambrose College

State-funded Independent Catholic Grammar School

Acting Principal: Mr D. Rainey B.Ed (Hons)



12 December 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have been informed of an opportunity which would involve some of our 1st & 2nd Year rugby team travelling to Japan next Easter to participate in the 'Heroes Cup' as part of the 2019 'Kids World Rugby Festival'. Eight countries will be represented and St Ambrose College has been asked to represent England.

Ordinarily we would not consider a trip abroad at such short notice but given that this is a once in a lifetime opportunity, together with the school's rich rugby tradition and the timing of the 2019 Rugby World Cup also to be held in Japan, we are exploring the feasibility of supporting the late request on this occasion.

The festival will be an international exchange of junior rugby in the Rugby World Cup year and all of the matches will be played at Yokohama International Stadium (Nissan Stadium) the venue for the Rugby World cup Final, Semi Finals and four of the biggest games of RWC 19.

The trip runs from Wednesday 17th April until Monday 22nd April 2019. The cost per person is expected to be between £1300-£1500 to cover flights. Accommodation and activities when in Japan will be covered by the organisers.

It must be stressed that we are only currently gauging interest and feasibility at this stage, there are numerous factors which would determine whether the planning can proceed to the next step. We understand the financial implications, particularly given that 1st Years will be going to France during Activities Week in July 2019. However, given the nature of the trip we felt it appropriate to share with parents and carers.

If you would like your son to be considered for the trip and are able to pay the cost in full by February half-term 2019, please complete the reply slip below and return to Mr Handy by Tuesday 18th December. **Pupils must be aged 12 or under on April 1st 2019**. If interest exceeds places available, the school rugby coaches will determine selection. In addition, if any parents or carers have contacts or suggestions for relevant sponsorship opportunities for the trip, we would be grateful if you could let Mr Handy know. If you have any further queries please contact: MrNHandy@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

Yours faithfully
Saint Ambrose College

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Register of Interest - Reply Slip – please return to Mr Handy by Tuesday 18th December.

I would like to register my son's interest in the rugby trip to Japan next Easter 2019 and will be able to pay the cost in full by February half-term 2019.

Pupil Name: _____ Tutor Group: _____

Parent/Carer signature: _____ Date: _____

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