

18th September 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Student Exchange to Moscow 2018

We are making arrangements for The Arnewood School student exchange with Moscow School 2018.

The Arnewood students will spend a week in Moscow, leaving on or about 10th May and returning one week later. During their stay in Moscow, students will be living with a family of a student of the school in Moscow who will be visiting the UK as part of the return part of the exchange programme. Our students will be spending some time in the school with their partners, taking part in group activities and also visiting places of interest.

Although students will be staying with their partners, they will see each other and their teachers almost every day and will be able to contact their teachers at any time. Your child will be accommodated in a Moscow home, looked after by the Moscow hosts and will experience Russian culture at first hand.

The cost for this exchange will be £350; the cost includes travel to the Airport, flights, visa, expenses in Moscow and the cost of visits whilst on the exchange in Moscow, plus travel insurance.

The benefits of an exchange visit are enormous. It enables students to gain at first hand an insight into the Russian way of life, as well as making new friendships which can last a lifetime. As visas have to be applied for, a passport is essential and needs to be available for the visa applications from January 2018 and run, as a minimum, until December 2018.

As part of the exchange the students and teachers from Moscow will be returning to New Milton in June, date yet to be confirmed, and will be staying for one week. To enable all students to gain the most from the exchange, the Moscow students need to stay with a host family. It is therefore a requirement of any Arnewood students going to Moscow that their families play host to a student from Moscow during their return visit to New Milton. The host family need to provide suitable accommodation during their stay and entertain the student from Moscow in the evening and at the weekend. On school days the students from Moscow will be at The Arnewood School or on school arranged trips.

Places on this exchange are limited. If you wish your child to be considered for a place please complete and return the reply slip overleaf and return it together with the deposit of £100, to the Finance Office by Friday 13th October 2017. Cheques should be made payable to The Arnewood School with student's name, tutor and event on the reverse. Balances will be paid by instalments payments of £62.50 being made in December 2017, January, February and March 2018. Alternatively, the total balance of £250 can be paid on or before December 2nd.

By asking for a place on this exchange you are agreeing to have a student from Moscow staying with you in suitable accommodation during the return visit of Moscow School 2018.

If your child has a medical condition/disability please ensure that your child is not participating in this school exchange against your doctor's advice.

Yours faithfully,

Mr M Gough
Senior Teacher

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REPLY SLIP: Please return to the Finance Office by Friday 13th October 2017.

Student's Name: **Tutor Group:**

I wish my son/daughter to be considered for inclusion in the Moscow exchange. I enclose a non-refundable deposit of £100.00.

I agree to host a student from Moscow School 2018 on their return visit.

Signed:
Parent/Carer

Date: