

26th January 2012

CST/SHD/Poland 2012

Dear Parents/Carers

RE VISIT TO POLAND – 22nd TO 27th MARCH 2012

We are organising a visit to Grudziadz in Poland from 22nd to 27th March 2012 as part of the Comenius Project “In Orbit with Europa”, a two year project studying asteroids as part of an international team involving 6 schools from UK, Ireland, Poland, France and Portugal. As part of this project we will be visiting one of our partner schools in Grudziadz, Poland. Whilst there we will present our research to an Astronomy Conference, view their planetarium, visit a nearby radio telescope, take part in further astronomy, learn about each other’s education systems and culture and go on other cultural visits. We will be joined by students and teachers from the other five partner schools. A draft itinerary is enclosed.

The main benefit of this visit, and the project as a whole, to our students is as a hook to build enthusiasm in science and an understanding of real scientific research whilst linking this to a range of other subjects such as literature and art while building skills in Mathematics and IT. Another major aim is to build relations with other countries in Europe allowing students to learn about other cultures and languages.

The flights, accommodation and meals on this visit will be funded from a grant that we obtained for the project but we recommend that spending money be brought for any other snacks, souvenirs and gifts etc. that the students may wish to purchase. The amount they bring is at your discretion but we suggest that £60.00 is sufficient. This should be in Polish Zloty (about 300 Zloty). A current passport and an EHIC card allowing medical treatment in EU countries will also be required.

Accommodation during the visit will be in segregated student accommodation at the partner institution.

If you would like your daughter/son to take part in this opportunity, please complete the attached Consent Form, Medical Information Form and Authorisation of Medical Treatment and return to Dr. Stevens or the Darwin Admin Office by Tuesday 31st January 2012.

We also ask that a parent/carer attend a meeting at **6.00 pm on Tuesday 31st January** to discuss details of the visit where any questions will be answered.

Yours faithfully



Dr. Conrad Stevens

College Leader Darwin Science

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RE: ASTEROID PROJECT VISIT IN GRUDZIADZ, POLAND MARCH 2012

I/we give permission for our daughter/son to take part in the Asteroid Project Visit in Grudziadz, Poland from 22nd to 27th March 2012.

I agree to my son/daughter receiving medication as instructed and any emergency dental, medical or surgical treatment, including anaesthetic or blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.

Student Name: _____ Tutor Group: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Carer)