

Altrincham Grammar School for Boys

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Dear Parent/Carer

South Africa Rugby Tour - Saturday 14th - Saturday 27th July 2024

Following on from the success of the Senior Rugby Tours to South Africa in 2015 and Canada in 2018, I will be running the School's next Senior Rugby Tour and once again returning to South Africa.

Included in the price is a Game Reserve stay and three Game Drives, Langa Township tour, Cape Point tour, Table Mountain visit, Boulders Beach visit, Hermanus Beach visit, Loftus Versfeld Stadium Tour, Voortrekker Monument, Gold Reef City, four games of Rugby with hospitality and, of course, kit. I will also be trying to provide ALL meals and drinks whilst on tour. There is a chance I may be able to add further excursions to the trip but at the moment, the cost of the trip is £2,950.

Envisaged Payment Schedule:

Date:	Amount:	Balance
Friday 31 st January 2023	£450	£2,500
Friday 31 st March 2023	£500	£2,000
Friday 31 st May 2023	£500	£1,500
Friday 31st July 2023	£500	£1,000
Friday 30 th September 2023	£500	£500
Friday 30 th November 2023	£500	£0.00

We wish to make it clear that if the trip takes place, no student will be denied participation on the grounds that no contribution has been made on their behalf. However, please be aware, if insufficient contributions are made we will be unable to proceed with the trip. If your son is in receipt of Pupil Premium and you would like to discuss the cost, please contact Ms Cathcart on 0161 928 0858.

This is obviously exciting for all concerned and now the planning has to begin in earnest.

To register your son's interest in the tour please go to the Parents' section of the School website and complete the 'Residential Trip Application Form'. The name of the trip is 'South Africa Rugby Tour 2024' and Mr S Meakin is the trip organiser.

As soon as there is enough interest for the trip to go ahead you will be contacted via email confirming your son's place. You will also receive a payment plan for all ParentPay transactions.

Please note that a place on this trip is at the discretion of the Head Master and should a pupil's behaviour in school not be deemed appropriate, they may be removed from the tour prior to departure with **no refund**.

Every student travelling abroad must have a valid Passport and appropriate Visa.

In the highly unlikely event that students and staff are unable to return from an overseas visit due to a circumstance beyond our control, the School will work closely with the Insurance Company and the Airline

carrier to ensure the safe return of students and staff. However, parents will be expected to contribute to any costs that the school might incur in repatriating the students because no insurance companies are willing to provide cover for this eventuality.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries about the tour.

Yours faithfully

S Meakin

Mr S J Meakin
Head of PE (Sport)