



# St Mary's College Toowoomba

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8<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents/Caregivers

The purpose of this letter is to give parents an update on the organisation of the St Mary's College Football tour of England.

The flights have now been reserved and we can confirm the following information:

- Leave Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September – Flight from Brisbane 14:30
- Stopover in Singapore 20:50 – 02:30, 16<sup>th</sup> September
- Arrive Manchester, England, 09:15, 16<sup>th</sup> September
- Individual tour details to be confirmed closer to the time.
- Leave Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September – Flight from London 11:25
- Stopover in Singapore 07:30 – 09:40 29<sup>th</sup> September
- Arrive Brisbane 19:30 29<sup>th</sup> September

Red Lion Tours have also confirmed the required payment check points. They are:

- March 15<sup>th</sup> - \$2000
- May 15<sup>th</sup> - \$2000
- July 15<sup>th</sup> - \$1850

Red Lion have notified us that on the July payment they will make a call on the exchange rate and will let us know the end price. I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that the price for the tour did not include match tickets or lunches. Red Lion has advised that the boys should allow \$8.00 a day for lunches.

There are a couple of housekeeping issues where we require help from parents.

1. **Passports**- A copy needs to be emailed to Mr Albion as soon as possible. Red Lion Tours require this for the flight information and also we need to register our trip with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.
2. **Sponsorship**- Boys have been given a letter regarding sponsorship. Please approach anyone who would like to assist. This money will help minimise the cost of the trip for your son. Any businesses that contribute will be able to put their logo on our equipment as a form of advertisement.
3. **Fundraising** - We will be conducting the following fundraising events. As stated above, this is to help offset the cost of the trip for the boys. They are:
  - **Easter Raffle**- each boy needs to bring in some Easter eggs for the raffle and we will sell tickets between now and the end of term. Please bring your donations to the HOH area.
  - **Athletics Carnival**- We are in control of the BBQ on this day. We require parents to come and help cook and serve customers. The date of the athletics carnival is Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July.
  - **Social/dance**- We would like to hold a social at St Mary's College with one other local girl's school. For this to be successful, we will require all of the boys to help promote and attend the event.
  - **Movie Night**- In early Term 2, we would like to hold a movie night in Toowoomba. In the past this has been very successful. Each ticket sold results in \$10 for the boys.

If you would like to be involved in any of the fundraising events please contact Mr Rod Hickey directly at the college. Your help would be highly appreciated. Furthermore, if you would like any more information on the trip please contact Mr Sean Albion or Mr Michael Simpson at the College on 46317333.

Kind regards,

Mr Sean Albion  
Head of Purcell House

Mr Michael Simpson  
Curriculum Leader Mathematics

Mr Michael Newman  
Principal