

5 June 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Camps International- Cambodia 2025 Expedition

We are very excited to announce that we are partnering with Camps International and the rest of the Outwood Grange Academy Trust to offer students the opportunity to go on a life-changing, 4-week expedition to Cambodia during the summer of 2025. Students who opt to partake in the expedition will work on a variety of meaningful and sustainable projects, which cover four different elements:

1. Community – stay in camps that are co-located with local communities in which you will be undertaking project work. This could be anything from building new classrooms, to seaweed farming.
2. Environment – expeditions have a strong environmental project element and they visit some of the most amazing environments on the planet, but these are under constant threat. Our aim is to help protect the natural environment through projects like tree planting, establishing sustainable practices and education.
3. Adventure – each expedition has an element of adventure! When students visit Cambodia they will be undertaking the personal adventure challenge of a PADI Open Water Scuba Diving Course.
4. Wildlife – they work to maintain and support the natural environment surrounding the local communities in which we are based. Their main focus is on activities such as reforestation, digging water holes etc.

On Thursday 15 June, 6.30pm, Camps International representatives will be hosting a parents evening at Outwood Academy Normanby.

During the presentation you and your child will be able to hear more about Camps, the expedition and fundraising the cost, as well as how to join the team. As students are encouraged to raise the funds for the expedition themselves, why not get started straight away with some helpful tips and advice:

<https://www.campsinternational.com/fundraising-for-your-expedition/>

In the meantime, to get an insight into the expedition, you can see photos from previous teams on the Camps Instagram page: <https://www.instagram.com/campsint/>

We look forward to letting you know more about the expedition soon. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me via c.gibson@normanby.outwood.com if you have any questions.

Yours faithfully



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