8 December 2014

Dear Parents

Year 5 & 6 Dibba Outdoor Education Camp - 27th to 30th January 2015

From the 27th - 30th January 2015, Year 5 and 6 children will have the opportunity to attend the North Star residential centre for a three night outdoor education camp. This will form part of what will be a comprehensive programme of residential experiences the children will participate in throughout their time at Nord Anglia International School Dubai. We regard this camp as being an important part of your child's development.

The opportunities for personal development provided by structured outdoor education have been clearly demonstrated in many schools throughout the world. The aims of outdoor education include increasing self-confidence, the development of leadership skills and a strengthening of peer group relationships through teamwork and adventure based activities.

We are using North Star, a long established outdoor and adventurous education provider in the UAE. They are extremely well known locally and are used by a wide number of schools in the UAE. I have attended various camps organised by North Star over the last nine years and can vouch for their professionalism, safety and equally as important the enjoyment the children gain from attending one of their camps. The students will stay for three nights at North Star's camp on the East Coast close to the port of Dibba. The camp has cabins, toilets and showers, catering facilities for large groups, a secure perimeter fence, night watchman and both staff and instructors stay overnight in the Camp.

During the Camp students may be involved in some of the following outdoor activities: raft building, mountain biking, wadi walk, ropes course, snorkeling, team games, rock climbing and orienteering. We will be selecting the activities the children will be undertaking nearer the date of departure.

The cost for the whole trip including meals, transport, accommodation, equipment provision and instructors is approximately 2000 Dhs.

If you would like further information Andy Dixon the regional coordinator from North Star Adventure will be visiting the school on Sunday 11th January 2015 to give a presentation and to answer any questions you may have.

Kind regards,

Mr. Chris Hand