## THE BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



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## 9 April 2014

RE: REMINDER Y6 RESIDENTIAL VISIT TO BEIJING – BAIHE MONDAY 14 – FRIDAY 18 APRIL 2014

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Please find below a few general reminders regarding our trip next week.

• All children MUST bring their passports. These will be collected and kept by staff for the duration of the trip. Failure to have a passport means that the children will not be able to take part.

• Children will depart from school at 8:30am on Monday 14 April. Please arrive at school at the usual time and assemble on the football astro-turf area.

• We hope to return on Friday 18 June at approximately 5:00pm. Please make arrangements to collect your child. Any delay will be reported to the school office.

• Children can take spending money of no more than 200RMB. They will be responsible for this themselves.

No electronic devices, such as MP3 players, Ipads etc. are allowed.

• Mobile phones are permitted and you will have the opportunity to call your child between 6:00pm and 7.30pm. Please be aware that phone calls can encourage home sickness, so be positive and encouraging!

• Mobile phones will be collected in by teachers during the day and night for security purposes.

• Children should bring activities i.e. books, puzzle books, drawing paper for the train journey.

Children may bring a small amount of snacks. NO NUTS please.

Remember that the suggested equipment list is:

- 1. Trainers
- 2. Indoor shoes, either slippers or sandals
- 3. Waterproof shoes or boots suitable for walking
- 4. Warm jumper or sweatshirt
- 5. Waterproof coat which will protect your child from the wet and cold
- 6. PE or suitable sport clothing

7. Old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty (jeans/shorts/t-shirts). It is recommended that children bring at least 3 full changes of clothing in case they get wet/dirty during their activities.

- 8. Sun cream
- 9. Warm hat, scarf and gloves.
- 10. Hat or cap for protection against the sun
- 11. Change of underwear for five days and extra pairs of socks
- 12. A bath towel and face towel, soap toothpaste, shampoo etc.
- 13. Water bottle
- 14. Torch
- 15. Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, etc.)

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HELPING OTHERS TO BE THE BEST THEY CAN BE Children should also bring a light 'day bag' to carry packed lunch, water, clothing etc. during the activities.

Please be aware that the BISS teachers will call the school regularly to update the school about what is happening on the trip. You may wish to check the school website during the week as we hope to post information and photos. Please do not hesitate to contact the office for up to date information during the week should you have any concerns. If you just have a general enquiry, then please call BISS on 52263211 ext. 1501 to speak with Ms. Echo Li, who will liaise with BISS staff and contact one of the teaching staff at the guesthouse in Baihe if necessary. In the event of an emergency you may contact Mr. Rhodes (+86 182 1707 2514) or Miss Meehan (+86 150 0017 5170)

Children will be fully briefed and receive an information booklet on Friday. Finally, we are all looking forward to having a great time and the children will no doubt benefit from an exciting and challenging experience. Fingers crossed for good weather!

Yours faithfully,

Shaun Rhodes Year 6 Leader