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Dear Parents

IB CAS Trip for Year 12 at Debelt Archaeological Reserve, Bulgaria **Sunday 2 October – Friday 7 October 2016**

We kick-start the Year 12 CAS programme with an exciting opportunity to participate in the archaeological digs at Debelt, a Late Roman city located close to Burgas, Bulgaria. Students will contribute to the ongoing research excavations through surveying the site, illustrating finds, classifying pottery, and of course, digging through the Late Roman and Byzantine archaeological layers.

Participating in an archaeological excavation can be a once-in-a-lifetime's opportunity providing long-lasting memories and the satisfaction that you have helped reveal a part of our collective past. Whilst being an exhausting, challenging and exhilarating time, students also benefit from the bonding experience with their peers and teachers as they embark on their two-year IB journey. Moreover, this week satisfies a large element of the Service component of the CAS programme required to successfully complete the IB.

The Debelt CAS Trip will depart on Sunday 2 October and return on the Friday 7 October 2016. **An all-inclusive price of €500.00 includes:**

- Private coach booking Istanbul – Burgas – Istanbul
- 5-nights' accommodation in a two-star hotel
- All breakfasts, lunches and dinners within Bulgaria
- Participation fee at Debelt Archaeological Reserve
- Coach transfers from hotel to site
- Excursion to the seaside resort of Burgas

Please note that the price **does not** include EU visa fees. We will be happy to provide school documentation for visa applications, but parents will be responsible for applying to the relevant consulate themselves. Also students require an up-to-date tetanus vaccination.

To secure a place on the Debelt CAS Trip please sign and return the confirmation form attached along with a non-refundable deposit of €250.00 (EUROS only) by Friday 3 June. New students entering BISI in Year 12 can delay the deposit until August 2016.

A short introductory meeting will be held for parents and students wishing to ask questions about the Debelt CAS Trip on Monday 30 May in Mr Somers' room at 15:30. Should you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us in person or by email (listed above).

Yours faithfully

Caroline Garner – CAS Coordinator

Robert Somers – Head of Humanities



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Letter of Consent: Debelt CAS Trip October 2016

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Please complete the following information fields in block capitals:

Name of student(s): _____

Home telephone number: _____

Mobile number mother: _____

Mobile number father: _____

Mobile number student(s): _____

Date of last tetanus vaccination: _____

Disclaimer

I understand that the British International School Istanbul, and the accompanying teachers, cannot be held responsible and liable, for any physical injury, damage to or loss of personal property during the Debelt CAS Trip in October 2016. I recognise that in the event of a cancellation the deposit is non-returnable. I understand that the Code of Conduct, except uniform, applies to my child/children/ward at all times. I understand that it is my responsibility to obtain an EU visa if required.

Return the all the following documents and deposit to Ayşegül in Reception by Friday 3 June 2016:

- Letter of consent
- Deposit of €250.00 (non-refundable)
- Photocopy of student's passport – details page

Parent/guardian signature: _____

Date: _____

