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Dear Parents of Year 12,

Extended Deadline - 2023 Diving and Shark Conservation Expedition to Malta

Due to the Christmas break and some technical issues, the sign-up period for this year's diving and shark conservation trip has been extended to Friday 13th January.

What is the trip about?

Our exciting Malta diving and sustainability trip will run in October 2023 for Year 13 students (current Year 12) who are studying Biology and/or Geography and/or have a passion for conservation, marine biology and sustainability.

This is not only a life changing opportunity for students to explore the Mediterranean ocean, but also the opportunity to complete six additional guided shore dives, including two conservation-oriented dives. You'll have the chance to learn about efforts to raise awareness of sharks, skates, rays, and other marine wildlife found in the waters surrounding Malta, take part in different activities which will contribute to research and play a role in conservation whilst fine tuning your new diving skills! The skills that you will be learning will also allow you to further develop your understanding of your learning from school and apply this to these fantastic scenarios. No previous diving experience is required!

We're partnering with True Adventure to offer this 9-day trip, which complements school learning. Applications will open shortly, but please visit our trip webpage for sample itinerary, travel dates, and more information

Why should I join the trip?

Malta is renowned for its stunning clear blue water and you will have the opportunity to explore these waters as never before - gaining your PADI Open Water qualification in the warm waters of the Mediterranean Sea. You will also be able to visit the Malta National Aquarium and get to know something about this fascinating island.

However, there is so much more to the expedition experience that students take with them into the future, helping to prepare them for life outside of school, in the world of university and work.

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How do I sign up to the diving and shark conservation trip?

If you would like more information – please follow the attached link (<u>https://rgshw-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/r/personal/dpd_rgshw_com/Documents/Uploads % 20from % 20old % 20chromebook</u>/<u>True % 20Adventure % 20- % 20Sharks, % 20Diving % 20and % 20Marine % 20Biology % 20-</u> % <u>20Information % 20Evening-20221205_180007-Meeting % 20Recording.mp4?csf=1&web=1&e=gApc8K</u>) to a recorded teams call with Tom Trueman, as he goes through the itinerary and costs for the trip in more details. To sign up for the trip please follow this website address <u>https://portal.true-adventure.co.uk/portal/register</u> and use the Expedition ID **RGSHW2023** to begin your application.

If you have any questions, please email me <u>Imr@rgshw.com</u>.

Kind regards Mr Rowe-Elliott Biology Subject Leader