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Dear Parents/ Carers

With the first payment having been made, I thought now would be a good time to inform you of some of the great fund raising that has been achieved so far, and keep you up to date with future opportunities.

I have been delighted to hear about students organising fund raising events. I attended a quiz night in March which was a great success and I know that students have run stalls at the Wokingham May Fair and local car boot sales. As discussed in the initial launch meetings, fund raising is one of the biggest challenges of the expedition, therefore it's great to hear about students being motivated and organised.

I would like to share with you some of the fund raising events that students will have the opportunity to be involved in this coming year. With 43 students going on the expedition it has been important to divide up events fairly between the 3 teams. There have been and will continue to be opportunities for all teams to raise money at events such as parents evening and school concerts/performances. Each team will also have the opportunity to organise a school disco or similar event. I will be arranging bag packing days at local supermarkets over Christmas and Easter and will be encouraging students to take part in a whole team sponsored event. This term students have been given the opportunity to get involved in organising a Tombola at an annual football tournament held at school and to arrange a drinks stall at the Wokingham Family Market in July. It is important that students check their school emails regularly. There have been occasions when I have been unable to accept opportunities due to lack of response from students.

How the money raised at these events is distributed is dependent on the teams. Teams may decide to share the money after each event, or may choose to keep a team fund, which can be used to help pay for some extra-costs such as transport to UK2.

As has been mentioned previously, it is never going to be possible for students to raise over £3000 just at school events. Mr Davis, Miss Longhurst and myself are all willing to support the students as much as possible but they must be determined and motivated to find ways of raising the majority of the funds outside of school.

I would also like to make you aware of some proposed dates for events that all students must attend. These include...

- UK1 – 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> October 2013
- UK2 – 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014

Yours faithfully

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Expedition Leader