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Malvern College Cricket Tour to the UAE April 2025

I am delighted to confirm that the next overseas Sports Tour will be a Cricket Tour (current FY to Lower Sixth year groups) to the United Arab Emirates during the Easter break of 2025. The duration of the tour will be eight nights, which will include playing in the Arch Trophy against schools from different parts of the world and including the UK.

The United Arab Emirates is a superb destination and we will be playing against a good calibre of opposition in a competitive tournament, the climate is ideal, the environment is extremely safe, and there are fabulous sightseeing and cultural opportunities. The provisional dates for the trip are **5 - 14 April 2025** and we would potentially meet at the College a day or two earlier to fully prepare for the tour. The itinerary currently includes eight nights' accommodation at a 4* Hotel (eg. Holiday Inn Festival City, Dubai or similar), a trip to Kite beach, a visit to the Yas Marina F1 track and a tour of the Zayed Grand Mosque in Abu Dhabi with a range of other options we can explore nearer the time. An itinerary will be distributed to all tour party members once we have final confirmation of numbers.

The cost of the tour, including transfer and flights, will be approximately £2,400. There may be some minor fluctuation in this cost as the departure date nears, depending on the exact cost of flights, fuel, surcharges, taxes, etc. The cost of the trip has been calculated on a touring party of 32 students and 4 members of staff. However, at this stage we will not be putting a limit on the number of places available as we hope to include both U15 junior and U18 senior squads. Please note that this is a co-education tour.

If your son/daughter is interested in this fantastic opportunity, please complete the form [here](#) and forward the initial deposit of £500 via bank transfer by **Friday 1 March 2024**. Decisions on final numbers for the trip will be made by **14 March 2024**. The tour will be booked at the beginning of April and therefore early payments will avoid disappointment. The balance will be paid in two further instalments, each of £950, to be added to the following Summer 2024 and Autumn 2024 fee invoices.

Once payments are completed (by 25 January 2025), they will be non-refundable unless a replacement pupil can be found.

If you have any further enquiries about the tour, please do not hesitate to get in touch by emailing me on noel.brett@malverncollege.org.uk and a reminder that you can also follow sport updates on X @malcolSPORT1865

Yours sincerely

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