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## School Trip to Knepp, UK Summer 2023

Dear families and parents,

Year 11 students are being offered an opportunity to spend one week with international professional scientists doing hands-on work with regards to research and wildlife conservation as part of Operation Wallacea ([www.opwall.com](http://www.opwall.com)). This year, the course being offered is the **Field Skills for Wildlife Management Careers Course**. The field trip is taking place in **Knepp, UK**. The Expedition date is from the **9th to 15th July 2023**.

Your daughter/son have already watched a presentation that was held this week at Zejtun Middle and Secondary School by Mr José Miguel, the Opwall Mediterranean Office Director. The attached document **Course Booklet Knepp Estate.pdf** contains more detail about the field trip.

Below please find some more information about important aspects of the expedition sent to us by the organisers, as well as all the information related to the payment process.

If your son/daughter is interested in attending this field trip or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Stefan Scerri ([stefan.scerri@ilearn.edu.mt](mailto:stefan.scerri@ilearn.edu.mt)) or Ms. Rachel Ann Zammit ([rachel.ann.zammit@ilearn.edu.mt](mailto:rachel.ann.zammit@ilearn.edu.mt)) via email or on MS Teams. Please note that places will be booked on a first come, first serve basis.

Best wishes and thanks again for your interest,

**Stefan Scerri & Rachel Ann Zammit**  
(Teachers in charge of Event)

## **RESERVATIONS:**

The organisers are asking for an initial deposit of **£150** to secure a place. A link for online payment will be sent to guardians/parents of interested students. Please note that only a limited number of places are available.

### **Deadline for reservations:**

17th November, 2022

### **Price (in Sterling):**

- **Course:** Estimated price for the 7 day-course is from 685£ per person.
- **Flight:** Estimated 150£ per person.
- **Internal transfers:** Estimated 75£ per person
- **Total price:** Estimated from 910£ per person.

**IMPORTANT:** Please note that the prices are all estimates and can change depending on the number of students attending and the cost of the flights and internal transfers.

### **Payments:**

These will be subdivided into 5 separate instalments, including the initial deposit on the 17<sup>th</sup> November, followed by payments in December, January, February, and April.

### **The price includes:**

- Daily meals, Accommodation, Participation in scientific activities, Paramedics on site, Internal transfers (estimated price), International flight (estimated price)

### **The price does not include:**

- Medical, Travel and cancellation insurance.

### **Travel and medical insurance:**

- A travel insurance is mandatory for this trip.
- We advise you to buy one that includes cancellation by COVID or advance cancellation for any other personal/medical reasons.
- There are certainly many insurance companies doing these insurances, so please do your research before making a decision.

### **Site conditions:**

Tents, compost toilets and hot showers powered by electricity. Both toilets and showers are unisex. There's no medic on site, but there are first aiders, and the nearest doctors is a 15-minute drive (nearest A&E is there as well). There's no wifi but relatively good phone signal.

The link below has more information about the expedition:

<https://www.opwall.com/expeditions/field-course/field-skills-for-wildlife-management-careers/>

The Opwall website ([www.opwall.com](http://www.opwall.com)) also has a lot of information relevant to you, from kit lists to travel information.