

Friday, 15 September 2017 Circular No.:- SGS/Admn./020-B/2017-18 Classes: IX - X

# Subject: Trip to Astroport

## Dear Parent

In an endeavor to bring the best in the field of education to its students, Sachdeva Global School is organising a 1N/2D educational trip to ASTROPORT Sariska in collaboration with Astro Tourism India Pvt. Ltd. The travel is scheduled on 02 and 03 December 2017.

Astroport is the first Astronomy-themed resort and activity centre of India and South Asia. The facility, one of its kind in the world has been developed to provide a great sky viewing and research experience to the budding astronomers within us. It is at a location which offers the darkest sky possible in India.

Astroport is located in the serene and lush environment of Sariska Tiger Reserve, in the lap of Aravali hills overlooked by the historical Tehla Fort. It is just a stone throw away from Sariska National Park and conveniently connected to Agra, Delhi and Jaipur. It is just 33 Kms from Bhangarh, a mysterious archaeological site. The site is placed well away from pollution of light, air and sound. The site is situated at the cornerstone of a foothill and a river channel providing a wonderful exposure to wildlife, environment and beautiful sky.

### OVERVIEW OF THE TOUR: TOTAL 1 NIGHT / 2 DAYS

- Night Sky Observation
- Telescope usage
- Deep Sky Objects viewing
- Open Jeep Safari of Sariska Tiger Reserve
- Tour of Bhangarh Fort

- Sky map and planisphere reading
- Constellation watch
- Planet viewing
- Organic Farms Tour

#### Features of the site that would enhance the experience of students:

- Clear night sky, resulting in exponentially enhanced sky viewing experience
- Abundant Telescopes available, giving ample telescope time and learning
- Serene environment around wildlife
- Organic Farm at site

#### Must carry things

- School ID card
- Trekking / sports shoes, Head-cap
- Light jacket / wind-scheater
- Sunscreen lotion /cream, sunglasses

- Organic Food prepared at site
- Luxurious camp site
- Accommodation in large tents
- Mess-tent for meals buffet.
- Fully secure site, boundaries on all sides & guards deputed
- Light baggage only
- Medicines (as per requirement)
- Inform us in advance of any medical history like spinal injury, blood pressure etc.





## **ASTROPORT TOUR- ITINERARY**

Inclusions	Exclusions
<ul> <li>Accommodation at the ASTROPORT (AC tents)</li> </ul>	• Expenses of personal nature like; tips, laundry etc.
Astronomy activities	• Damage to equipment and tents.
<ul> <li>Teaching Aids for activities</li> </ul>	• Beverages and Food consumed outside of the meal
• Telescopes for Sky Observations.	plan
<ul> <li>All meals (Including on the way meal to and fro site)</li> </ul>	• Expenses arising out of any unforeseen circumstances
• To & fro Delhi ( AC Buses)	like rain, landslides and situations beyond our
• Jungle Safari	control.
• Tour of Bhangarh Fort	
• Tour of Organic Farm	

## <u>Day 1</u>

04:30 am	Departure from School for Bhangarh Fort	
	Packaged Breakfast midway	
11:30	Arrival at Bhangarh Fort	
11:30 – 01:30 pm	Exploring Bhangarh Fort	
01:30 pm	Departure for Astroport	
03:00 – 03:30 pm	Arrival at Astroport & Lunch	
03:30 – 04:00pm	Allotment of tents (settle down, freshen up and relax)	
04:00 – 05:30 pm	Team Building Activities/Games	
05:30 – 06:00 pm	Tea & Snacks	
06:00 – 07:00 pm	Basics of Telescope	
07:00 – 08:30 pm	Orientation of Night Sky& Sky Charts Reading	
08:30 – 10:00 pm	Constellation Hunt	
	Planetary & Deep Sky Object Observation	
	Rajasthani Cultural Music Show, Bon-fire with Music & Dance	
10:00 – 10:30 pm	Dinner	
10:30 pm	Rest in AC Tents	

# <u>Day 2</u>

05:00 am	Wake up call
05:30 am	Milk and Light refreshment
06:30 – 09:30 am	Jungle Safari
09:30 – 10:00 am	Breakfast
10:00 – 11:30 am	Visit to Organic Farms
11:30 – 12:00 noon	Group Picture, Demo Rocket Launch & Farewell from site
12:00 noon	Departure fromAstroport
02:30 – 03:30 pm	Stopover for Lunch at Haldiram
06:30 pm	Arrival at School and Handover to Parents



PLEASE NOTE: In case of any unpredicted change in weather conditions, some changes in tour schedule may occur.

Tour Price: The cost of the program is priced Rs 4500/- per student (Rupees Four Thousand Five Hundred).

Last date of enrollment: The last date for enrollment is 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2017.

Mode of payment: Cheque in favour of "Astro Tourism India Pvt Ltd." payable at Delhi. Date on cheque can be any date till 03 October 2017.

Warm Regards

Sumana Dutta Sarkar Head of School

#### CONSENT FORM

I would like my ward to join School's tour to Astroport, Tehla herewith the cost of the tour. I appreciate your assurance for p ward. I indemnify the school and Astro Tourism India Pvt. Ltd	precautions for the safety of my			
resulting in any harm that may be caused to my ward during the actual conduct of the tour.				
Name of Student	Class			
Date of Birth	Gender			
Meal Preference (Veg/Non-Veg) Contact number of	Parents			
Mode of Payment(Cheque) Cheque Number				
Bank Name				
Any Medication / allergy				
Email-id (Parents & Student)				
Parents Signature (With Date)				