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## Kenya Expedition – Expression of Interest

Dear families

We are writing to share details of an exciting **proposed overseas expedition to Kenya**, planned in partnership with the charity **Moving Mountains Trust**, and to invite you to register an **expression of interest** for your child. The trip will depart on **Friday 17 July 2027** and will last for either 14 or 15 days (depending on flights, tbc).

This letter is not a commitment to travel, but a way for us to gauge interest before moving forward with detailed planning, costs and timelines.

### Overview of the Expedition

The proposed trip would take place in **Kenya**, with the majority of time based in **Embu**, an area where Moving Mountains Trust has worked for over 25 years. The expedition combines **volunteering, cultural immersion, outdoor adventure and personal development**, offering students a truly life-changing experience.

Moving Mountains Trust has long-standing, trusted links with schools and community projects across Kenya, and the trip would be supported throughout by experienced local staff, guides and project workers.

All travel during the expedition would be in a **converted overland safari vehicle**, and accommodation would be **fully supervised camping**, with all equipment provided.

### Volunteering and Community Projects (Days 2–6)

Students would spend four full days working alongside Moving Mountains Trust on a range of established projects, including:

- Supporting a **rescue centre for street children**
- Assisting with **early years education centres**
- Working alongside the **Black Cat Football Academy**
- Helping with ongoing **community building projects**
- **Cultural exchange activities**, home visits and local community experiences

Students would be supported by school staff, local guides, cooks and a Moving Mountains work team — many of whom were formerly street children themselves and now manage projects and mentor visiting groups. Their stories and experience consistently have a profound impact on young people.

### Mount Kenya Trek (Days 7–11)

A highlight of the expedition would be a **guided trek on Mount Kenya**, culminating in an ascent of **Point Lenana (4,985m)** for sunrise.

The trek is fully supported by:

- Qualified mountain guides and porters
- Careful acclimatisation
- Full safety briefings and supervision



This section of the trip focuses on **resilience, teamwork, leadership and personal challenge**, and is adapted to suit school groups.

### **Safari Experience (Days 12–14)**

The expedition concludes with a safari experience, including:

- Camping on the shores of **Lake Naivasha**
- A **boat trip** to see hippos and fish eagles
- A visit to **Lake Nakuru National Park**, home to rhino, flamingos and tree-climbing lions
- Time in **Hell's Gate National Park**, where students can walk or cycle among wildlife and explore dramatic gorges and geothermal features

This part of the trip balances reflection, rest and celebration of the students' achievements.

### **Staffing, Safety and Supervision**

- Students would be accompanied by **school staff throughout**
- Supported by **experienced local leaders, drivers, cooks and guides**
- All activities are **risk assessed**, with comprehensive safety procedures in place
- The charity has **extensive experience** running expeditions for UK school groups

Further details regarding safeguarding, insurance, medical arrangements and emergency procedures would be shared if the trip proceeds.

### **Next Steps**

At this stage, we are asking parents to **register an expression of interest only**. This allows us to:

- Assess demand
- Confirm viability
- Provide accurate costs and timelines. The cost is expected to be in the region of £3000.

If there is sufficient interest, a **parent information evening** will be arranged and full details shared before any commitments are made.

If you would like to register your interest or have any initial questions, please complete this short form by Friday 13 February: [Kenya - Expression of Interest – Fill in form](#)

Yours faithfully

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