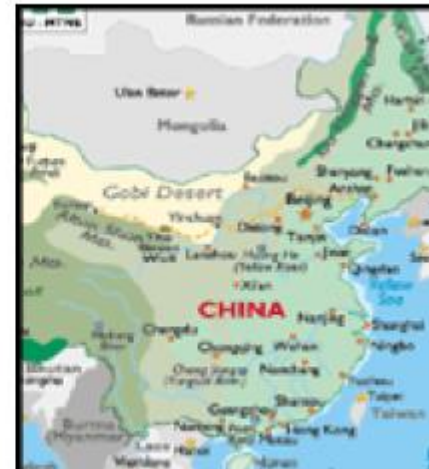


China 2020

Brockington College

*“World’s
oldest
continuous
civilisation”*



Trip of a lifetime

- The trip is designed to give students the opportunity to try new things and gain new experiences
- Students will be out of their comfort zone and are expected to give everything a go
- Taste of Chinese culture

Dates

- Saturday 28th March – Monday 6th April
- Provisional flights
 - 28 March
 - Birmingham 1330 - Frankfurt 1600
 - Frankfurt 1720 – Beijing 0930 (29th)
 - 5 April
 - Shanghai 2355 - Frankfurt 0535 (6th)
 - Frankfurt 0735 – Birmingham 0810

General information

- Staff members:
 - C. Turner, A. Price, J. Cheesman
- 22 students
- Hotel rooms are usually twin or triple rooms
- Overnight train rooms are in groups of 3 or 4
- Students will only be room sharing with the same gender

Proposed itinerary (subject to change)

Day 1 Mar 28:

:: Departure from Birmingham

Day 2 Mar 29, Beijing

:: Arrive in Beijing in the early morning, meet coach (transfer to accommodation)

:: Visit the Summer Palace

:: Visit the Beijing Hutongs

Day 3 Mar 30 Beijing

:: Visit the Great Wall of China (Mutianyu section) and the Ming Tombs

Day 4 Mar 31 Beijing-Xi'an

:: Visit Temple of Heaven

:: Visit Tiananmen Square and Forbidden City

:: Visit the Olympic Stadium with a tour of the Bird's Nest

:: Enjoy swimming in the Water Cube

:: This evening take overnight train to Xi'an

Day 5 Apr 01 Xi'an

:: Arrival Xi'an in early morning, meet coach

:: Visit the City Wall and Big Goose Pagoda

:: Visit Hanyang Tomb in the afternoon

Proposed itinerary (subject to change)

Day 6 Apr 02 Xi'an-Shanghai

- :: Visit the HuaQingChi Hot Springs
- :: Visit Terracotta Army Warriors
- :: Take overnight train to Shanghai

Day 7 Apr 03 Shanghai

- :: Arrive in Shanghai in the morning, meet coach
- :: Visit the Oriental Pearl TV Tower
- :: Visit the old quarter and the Bund
- :: Huangpu River cruise in the evening

Day 8 Apr 04 Shanghai

- :: Visit the Yuyuan garden and then free time for some shopping
- :: Visit the French concession

Day 9 Apr 05 Shanghai

- :: Check out and transfer to visit the Zhujiajiao ancient water town
- :: Back to Shanghai and transfer to airport for departure
- :: Flight back to Birmingham

Day 10 Apr 06 Shanghai

- :: Arrive at Birmingham in the early morning

Passport information

PASSPORTS

To enter China, a passport with at least six months' validity is required by all nationals referred to in the chart above.

To enter Hong Kong, a passport valid for the duration of stay is required by nationals in the chart above.

Foreign nationals must carry their passports at all times as police carry out random spot checks; these are more frequent around times of heightened security such as sporting events.

Passport information to be given to the travel company for finalised passenger list – if not already given passport info please do so asap.

Passports must have 6 months left when we depart (must be valid until 28th September 2020) – 6 passports currently expire before Sept 2020 so must be renewed. This needs to be done well in advance of handing in for Visa application in November.

Visa information

- Required for the trip

- Individual Visa

Recent changes to visa policies now require biometric measurements (fingerprints). This would mean a group visit to Chinese Embassy in London/Manchester (would require additional payment to cover this trip)

Hoodies

- We are going to organise trip hoodies
- We anticipate a cost of approximately £20

Medical information

- Book in with GP well in advance of the trip for advice on injections required – they will advise on what is needed
- If your child has any medical issues or concerns, please discuss with us after the meeting
- Allergies (including food) should be made clear to us asap
- First Aid provision on trip

General information

- Currency = Yuan
- Exchange – fluctuates mostly around 8.5-9 yuan to the pound
- Time zone is GMT +8
- Communist country

Spending money

- Small amount of pounds for the UK airports
- Not much time in Frankfurt (changeover)
- All meals etc are included so the spending money is for souvenirs etc and they are generally cheap
- Parents/carers have spent enough money on this trip, so please do not expect a large amount more
- Amount is dependent on how many souvenirs you want to bring home

Further information



Halsbury
travel

- Halsbury Travel – ABTA & ATOL registered
- Fully risk assessed – however students need to follow instructions
- Staff to student ratio is good (1:8)



Questions