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Dear Parent/Guardian,

It is with great pleasure that I send this letter to you all. This may seem familiar. When I was a young lad (not that long ago before you ask!) my school used to organise an Educational Cruise around the Mediterranean, visiting the Pyramids, Greece, Jerusalem and several other places of intense value. These cruises were perhaps the trips I was always able to enjoy most, as they were always fresh and exciting. There were activities on board the ship every evening, ranging from discos, to a cinema, quizzes, good food, sunbathing and of course, the odd informal lesson learning about the places we were about to visit.

The excursions on shore were always fascinating, the Pyramids always being a highlight, getting to experience the local culture and witness one of the ancient wonders of the world. The experiences from these trips have stayed with me over a decade later.

Why am I telling you this? To maybe make you jealous? Not at all (well, maybe a little)! I tell you this because I am very interested in organising just such a cruise with Magdalen Court School! Through the company, Voyages of Discovery, we would very much like to take part in the cruise on the 28<sup>th</sup> of October 2013. I have included a time table for the trip on the reverse of this letter.

I am looking to gauge some sense of interest for such a holiday before I commit fully to organising it. The cost is extremely reasonable for something of this nature, in the region of **£1,300** for children aged between 10 ½ and 16. We are more than happy for parents or older students to attend as well, but the cost will be higher. There are bursaries available from the company for anything from 20% to 100% of the price of the cruise, which we will be happy to support you as much as possible in obtaining. These are available for those who would otherwise be unable to go, or who present exceptional projects.

If the above is of interest to you, please return the form below by the end of the week. Remember, this is just to show interest, you are not committing to anything. If enough interest is generated, then I shall ensure more details and booking information is distributed by the end of term! Please get in touch with me if you want any more details!

All the best and happy cruising!

Mr W Power and Mr J Jenner

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I am interested in my child, \_\_\_\_\_ attending a school cruise in October 2013.

I am/am not interested in coming as a parent as well.

### **Time Table for the Three Continents Adventure, October 2013**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Port</b>	<b>Arrive</b>	<b>Depart</b>
24 Oct 2011	<b>Kusadasi</b> , Turkey Ephesus 'en route' from Izmir Airport		1900
25 Oct 2011	<b>At Sea</b>		
26 Oct 2011	<b>Beirut</b> , Lebanon Full day Byblos, Jeita Caves Beirut City sightseeing	0700	1900
27 Oct 2011	<b>Ashdod</b> , Israel Full Day Jerusalem	0700	1900
28 Oct 2011	<b>Port Said</b> , Egypt Full Day Cairo & Pyramids (Pyramids, Museum, Citadel and Mosque)	0700	2200
29 Oct 2011	<b>At Sea</b>		
30 Oct 2011	<b>Rhodes</b> , Greece	0700	1400
31 Oct 2011	<b>Piraeus</b> , Greece Athens City and Acropolis 'en route' to Athens Airport	0800	