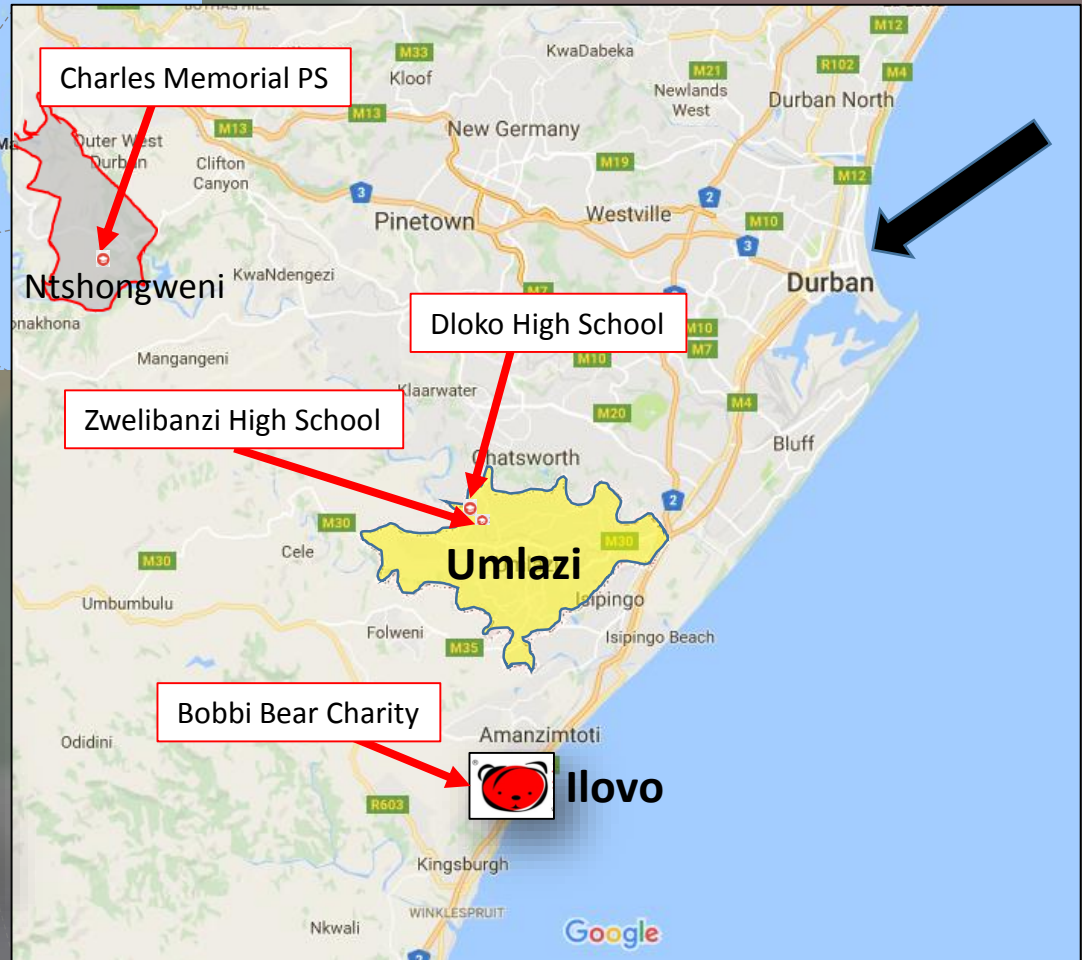


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Parents' info evening Thursday 20 April 2017



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Staff involved in the initial stages of the project

- Mr Porter (Depute) – *Project Leader*
- Miss McKenna (Biology)
- Mr Macdonald (Head teacher)













*Currently 30-40 interested pupils
(pupils will be split into 'families' for the trip, each with a
teacher as the family leader).*

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Potential Dates

FEBRUARY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6 	7	8 	9 	10 
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18 	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			
Feb break but Specific dates still TBC						

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Previous experiences:

- *Pupils*
- *Parents*
- *Staff*

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Finances

The following payment information has been sent out:

Trip total cost: **£1500**

02	May 2017	£300 deposit
	June 2017	£300
16	August 2017	£300
25	September 2017	£300 *Confirm attendance on the trip
30	October 2017	£300 *Final balance required

**After Sept payment bookings will be paid for so money may not be refunded if your child withdraws from the trip.*

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Finances

The following payment information has been sent out:

Trip total cost: **£1500**

This money covers:

- *Flights*
- *Hotel*
- *Breakfasts and dinners*
- *Excursions/leisure activities*
- *All transport in SA*
- *Travel insurance* (if your child has a pre-existing condition you will need your own travel insurance)*

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Project Expectations

It's a project, not a trip! The JGHS SA Project is just that: A project. It is not a 10 day trip but a year long project that involves a trip as part of it.

Fundraising Pupils are expected to be involved in year long fundraising activities. Staff involved will support pupils but the initiative and work must be undertaken by pupils themselves. An aim of this project is to encourage pupils' own initiative and build their teamwork, creative and organisational skills.

Skills Some of the most valuable experiences when in SA are when pupils from each school work together on skills, interests and projects and share their cultures. It is vital that our pupils plan for and organise resources for these activities.

Research Pupils are expected to have a knowledge and understanding of the history, issues and culture in SA. Particularly Zulu culture and Durban and Umlazi. The school will support this with speakers but pupils are expected to do their own background research.

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Necessary Documentation

The following documents are **essential** for the trip.

We will not be able to take your child though any border controls without these:

Parental Consent – Affidavit

Photocopy of birth certificate

No action required at present:

These will be talked about further at the next parental meeting post Summer.

Parental Consent for Child travelling to South Africa (Feb 2018)

Child's full name: _____ Date of birth: _____
Child's Passport Number: _____ Age at date of departure: _____ years _____ months

We, the undersigned parent(s) have read and signed the above certificate on legal guardian documentation of the above child, permit the child to travel with James Gillespie's High School to Durban, South Africa during the above dates and grant access to all facilities in the South Africa Home Affairs documentation for the staff members of JGHS to act in loco parentis while accompanying them on this school tour to and from South Africa.

Parent	Legal Guardian
Print Name: _____	Print Name: _____
Contact Address: _____	Contact Address: _____
Contact Number: _____	Contact Number: _____
Signature: _____	Signature: _____
Date: _____	Date: _____

We understand that this form must be completed fully and accurately and returned to James Gillespie's High School no later than Wednesday 30 December 2018.
If this form has not been received by the project administrators by this date we understand that our child will be removed from the tour immediately and we accept that a full refund of costs will not be possible given the proximity to the trip departure date.
If you have any queries regarding this form and the visa requirements for South Africa please contact us via email: Ethel.greig@jamesgillespie.edu.za

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Other essentials (reminders)

Passports:

To be allowed through immigration your child's passport must be valid for a full **6 months** *after* their scheduled date of departure from SA.

Immunisations:

Your child must check with their own GP exactly what immunisations they require for travelling to Kwa-Zulu Natal in SA.

Medical info:

It is **essential** that we have an EE2 form for your child and thorough, up to date information on their physical and mental health before departing on the trip. Anything that may arise as an issue for your child must be disclosed to the trip leader and their 'family' leader.

Insurance:

Our school policy covers for any illness or accident on the trip but **not** for any issues arising from pre-existing conditions. You will need your own insurance policy for anything arising from a pre-existing condition.

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Questions

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