

**Round Square Regional Conference: Keystone Academy
Expressions of Interest: 13 - 14 year olds in 2018**

The 2018 Round Square Regional conference will be hosted by Keystone Academy in Beijing. In conjunction with the Regional conference students will also participate in a Service Project to Cambodia with The Southport School QLD, from Saturday, 24th March - Friday 30th March, 2018. The Service Project is an exciting new partnership with The Southport School which will now form part of our Annual Service Program at NEGS.

Pre-conference Service Project - Cambodia

EDUCATIONAL & CULTURAL GRASS ROOTS TOURS

TSS & NEGS – 6 nights Group Visit – Saturday, 24th March – Friday, 30 March 2018

www.feedingdreamscambodia.org

- (a) *Twin share accommodation in Apsara Dream Hotel - large rooms with air-conditioning, swimming pool, ensuite with hot water, Cable TV, Wi-Fi in rooms*
- (b) *All breakfasts, lunches and dinners included during stay (tips also included)*
- (c) *All Admission charges to sites included as per tours below*
- (d) *All transfers as quoted below*
- (e) *Bags of rice and sauces to be distributed to 50 poor families in slum villages*
- (f) *On ground support during your stay*
- (g) *Experienced Guide and translators on all Tours – Educational and Cultural experience*
- (h) *Certificate of participation in a third world Aid Programme*

- **Day 1 (Sat)** Pick-up from Airport & deliver to Hotel Tuk-tuks
Feeding Dreams
Settle in and time to relax
Orientation around town – tuk-tuks
Dinner at Viva Mexican Restaurant 6.30pm
- **Day 2 (Sun)** Hotel Breakfast
Depart Hotel 9.00am
Angkor Wat Temples
Guided Tour of ancient Angkor Wat ancient City
See Angkor Wat, Bayon and Ta Prohm Temples where
Tomb Raider (Angelina Jolie) was filmed (this tour is very
flexible with options of ancient sites and times)
Lunch at Temple Restaurant – Khmer style
Return to hotel 2.00pm
Dinner at il Forno's (off Pub Street) 6.30pm
Free evening to explore Night Markets
(transport provided and accompanied by staff/translators)
- **Day 3 (Mon)** Hotel Breakfast
Depart hotel for Feeding Dreams Cambodia 7.30am
School assembly and meet the children 7.45am
Volunteer teaching with Khmer teacher
Lunch at Kuriosity Kafe Restaurant 11.30am
Feeding Dreams Teaching- afternoon group 2.00pm

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- Return to hotel – swim, relax 4.00pm
Dinner: Brothers Restaurant 6.30pm
Explore Made in Cambodia and Art Market
- **Day 4 (Tues)** Hotel Breakfast
Depart for Feeding Dreams - teaching 7.40am
Lunch at Annadya Restaurant 11.30am
Feeding Dreams Teaching - afternoon group 2.00pm
Return to hotel – swim, relax 5.00pm
Dinner: The Haven – training restaurant 6.30pm
Relax with a foot massage in the local arts market 8.00pm
 - **Day 5 (Wed)** Hotel Breakfast 6.45am
Depart Hotel by tuk-tuk to Feeding Dreams 7.40am
Volunteer Teaching 8.00am
Lunch at Peace Cafe 11.30am
Feeding Dreams Teaching - afternoon group 2.00pm
Return to hotel – swim, relax 4.00pm
Dinner: Marum Restaurant 6.30pm
 - **Day 6 (Thurs)** Hotel Breakfast
Depart Hotel by tuk-tuk to Feeding Dreams 7.30am
Volunteer Teaching 8.00am
Bag up rice and sauces for 50 of our poorest families 10.00am
Deliver rice to poor families in slum villages 10.30am
Lunch at Dreams Training Centre Restaurant 12.15pm
Volunteer Teaching 2.00pm
Final assembly and farewell - football 4.00pm
Depart Feeding Dreams to Hotel 5.00pm
Farewell dinner at hotel 6.00pm
 - **Day 7 (Fri)** Hotel Breakfast
Relax, explore – own activities until flight departure
Tuk-tuk's to airport. Times to be confirmed by schools.
Depart for Beijing

RS Regional Conference - Beijing

March 31 - April 4, 2018

With the theme of 'Dare to be a Force of Nature', the Keystone Round Square 2018 regional conference aims to embrace diversity and stand together to save the environment.

Conference participants ages 13-14 from the Australia-Asian Region will spend five days immersed in learning that asks them to...

Understand the devastating environmental issues in both our region and beyond...

Research, innovate and create solutions in our state of the art design labs...

Immerse in the wonders of Chinese culture and history.

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Saturday, March 31

12 pm onward: Arrivals Day, Tours, Registration, Free time (students move into dorms)

5 pm: **Cultural welcome/show in Performing Arts Centre**

6 pm: Dinner

7 pm - 9 pm: Ice breakers in Gym-student led, adult meeting in Keystone Club

Sunday, April 1: Energy and Sustainability

9 am: **Opening Ceremony!** The conference challenge!

9:30 am: **Keynote Speaker #1: Ms Peggy Liu, CEO Jucce**

10:30: Tea break

11 am: Barazza Groups-focused task/conversation

12 pm: Conference Photo on quad

12:30 pm: Lunch

1:30 - 3:30 pm: Afternoon Activity-choose two activities from **Chinese cultural** strands (calligraphy, paper cutting, wushu)

3:30 pm: Tea break

4 pm: Challenge project in groups, assisted by JUCCE staff

5:30 pm: Dinner

6:30 - 9 pm: **Innovation Labs** by Barazza groups, led by workshop speakers

10 pm: dorm check in

Monday, April 2: Wildlife Conservation

8:30 am: Group wushu class in gym

9:30 am: **Keynote Speaker# 2- DR O'Connell/Sharon Pincott**, The Poaching Crisis

10:30 am: Barazza Groups

12 pm: Lunch

1:30 pm: **Keynote Speaker #3- Borneo Orangutan Crisis/Dr. Jamartin Sihite**

2:30 pm: Barazza Groups

3:30 pm: Tea

4 - 5:30 pm: **Two concurrent sessions, one hour each (Ms. Pincott/Dr. O'Connell)**

6 pm: dinner: DUCK, DUMPLINGS, Noodle making demo!

7 - 9 pm: Innovation lab-Design projects continue

Tuesday, April 3: Our Oceans: Their Future

8:30 am: **Keynote Speaker #4- Ms.Tracey Read, CEO, and Founder of Plastic Free Seas**

9:30 am: Barazza group

10:30 am: Depart for Beijing Adventure Day/Goose chase Scavenger

Hunt/Lunch out

6 pm: return to school via subway in groups

6 pm: Dinner at school

7 pm - 9 pm: **Film festival** in various locations (TBD: The Ivory Game, Before The Flood, The Sun Bear movie, Climate Reality, The Garbage Patch Movie)

10 pm: Dorm Check in



Wednesday, April 4

9 am: **Speaker: Artist Terri Moore**

10 am: Finalize Innovation presentations

11 am: Tea Break

11:30 am: Showcase in Performing Arts Centre, **Closing Ceremony**

1 pm: Lunch and departures

Approximate Costs

Pre conference Cambodia Service Project = \$600 USD per student (\$765 AUS approximately)

Keystone Academy Beijing Conference Fee = \$600 USD per student (\$765 AUS approximately)

Flights Brisbane return = \$1616 AUS per student

Travel Insurance = Approximately \$180 per student

Additional costs:

- * To help minimise costs, transport to and from Brisbane will be at parents discretion.
- * Spending money - to be discussed at a time closer to leaving, see notes for Cambodia.
- * Immunisations

If you are interested in attending the conference please complete the following by
Friday, 3rd November, 2017.

- Submit an Expression of Interest letter stating why you would like to attend the conference and why you believe you would be an ideal delegate to represent NEGS.
- Ask your parents to email me acknowledging their support of your application.

Yours Sincerely,



Mrs Stephanie Thomas

Round Square Representative Coordinator.