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Dear Parents

World Challenge: Venezuela 2011

Building on the success of the expeditions to Tanzania in 2008, the High School is again partnering with World Challenge to offer students the opportunity to explore Venezuela. They will organize their own community service project, trek through the Lost World of table top mountains and visit Angel Falls.

World Challenge expeditions are different from other school trips because students take on the responsibility of planning and managing their own 4-week adventure. From designing their own itinerary to booking their own buses and buying their own food, the students will run the show (with ample support and supervision from their teachers and World Challenge Expedition Leader). Additionally, students are supported in fundraising and earning funds to pay for the expedition and secure a place on the team.

As a school we are very excited to make this opportunity available to students as it gives them the chance to do something really unique that will make them stand out from the crowd. The expedition experience will provide them with a wealth of new life skills and a global perspective that will prove invaluable later at school, college, and in life.

Students who have heard about World Challenge from their classmates who have been on expeditions in the past or who were present for the slideshow during school assembly, already know a little bit about the possibilities that lie ahead for them if they decide to take part. I would like to invite you to an information evening where you and your son or daughter will have the chance to learn more about the expedition. The information evening for students and parents will be held on:

**Tuesday, January 26th at 7:00pm in
Location: The Senior Study**

The meeting will be run by World Challenge. It will be an informative and interactive presentation with plenty of opportunity for questions, along with video footage and photos from past expeditions. Also students from the 2008 expedition will be there to talk about their experiences and answer your questions. I'm very much looking forward to the evening and I hope you are able to join us and help get our expedition off to a great start. We'll go over how students will fundraise (both as a group and as individuals) to earn their spot on the team. We'll also talk about what they will do while overseas, the safety and back-up provided, and the rewards they will reap from taking part.

I hope you and your son or daughter are able to attend. I am sure that you will find it interesting and that you will leave the evening knowing why the school values the outcomes of this program so highly.

Sincerely

Jeff Burrows
Director of Outdoor Education, Hillfield Strathallan College



To: Mr Jeff Burrows

- I **will** be able to attend the information evening on **Tuesday, January 26th at 7pm in the Senior Study**
- I **will not** be able to attend the World Challenge information evening **but would like more information**

Name of student _____

Email address and Phone number _____