

**Group: AMSP Programme****Dates:****-Host Family Programme – From Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> / Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2023 – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> / Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023****-Residence Programme - From Saturday 01<sup>st</sup> / Sunday 02<sup>nd</sup> July 2023 - Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> / Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023**

This is a sample programme only and changes may occur

|     | Morning  | Afternoon   | Evening   |
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| Sun | <b>Sandy Beach</b> (Mellieha Bay) – Sliema Ferries at 10.30hrs.<br><i>Bring swimwear</i>     | Return at 16.00hrs.   | <b>Bowling</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 20.00hrs. Return at 22.00hrs.                                     |
| Mon | <b>Tuition:</b> 09:00 – 12:30hrs (10:30 to 11:00 – break)<br><i>Bring swimwear to school</i> | <b>Beach Club</b><br>Meet in school at 12.30hrs.<br>Return at 17.30hrs.                               | <b>Welcome Party</b><br>Sliema Ferries meeting point at 20:00hrs. Return at 23.00hrs.                 |
| Tue | <b>Tour: Half Day Valletta + Malta 5D</b><br>Meeting point at 08:30hrs. Return at 12.30hrs.  | <b>Tuition:</b> 13:00 – 16:30hrs (14:30 to 15:00hrs – break)  | <b>Sliema Walk</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 20.00hrs. Return at 22.30hrs.                                 |
| Wed | <b>Tuition:</b> 09:00 – 12:30hrs (10:30 to 11:00 – break)<br><i>Bring swimwear</i>           | <b>Beach Club</b><br>Meet in school at 12.30hrs.<br>Return at 17.30hrs.                               | <b>International Students' Party</b><br>Sliema Ferries meeting point at 20.00hrs. Return at 23.00hrs. |
| Thu | <b>Shopping at The Point</b> Sliema Ferries at 09.00hrs.<br>Return at 12.30hrs               | <b>Tuition:</b> 13:00 – 16:30hrs (14:30 to 15:00hrs – break)  | <b>Chill Out Night at Surfside</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 20.00hrs.<br>Return at 23.00hrs.              |
| Fri | <b>Tuition:</b> 09:00 – 12:30hrs (10:30 to 11:00 – break)<br><i>Bring swimwear</i>           | <b>Splash and Fun</b><br>Meet at school at 12.30hrs.<br>Return at 12.30hrs.                           | <b>Treasure Hunt</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 20.00hrs.<br>Return at 22.00hrs.                            |
| Sat | <b>Sandy Beach</b> (Riviera Bay) Sliema Ferries at 10.30hrs.<br><i>Bring swimwear.</i>       | Return at 16.00hrs.   | <b>Festa Evening</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 21.00hrs. Return at 24.00hrs.                               |
| Sun | <b>Sandy Beach</b> (Mellieha Bay) Sliema Ferries at 10.30hrs.<br><i>Bring swimwear.</i>      | Return at 16.00hrs.   | <b>Bowling</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 20.00hrs. Return at 22.00hrs.                                     |
| Mon | <b>Beach Club</b><br>Meeting point at 9.00hrs. Return at 12.30hrs.                           | <b>Tuition:</b> 13:00 – 16:30hrs (14:30 to 15:00hrs – break)  | <b>Disco Party</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 19.30hrs. Return at 22.30hrs.                                 |
| Tue | <b>Tuition:</b> 09:00 – 12:30hrs (10:30 to 11:00 – break)<br><i>Bring swimwear.</i>          | <b>Half Day Comino</b><br>School at 12:30hrs. Return at 17.30hrs.                                     | <b>Harbour Cruise by Night</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 20.15hrs. Return at 22.00hrs.                     |
| Wed | <b>Shopping at The Point</b><br>meeting point at 10.30hrs. Return at 12.30hrs                | <b>Tuition:</b> 13:00 – 16:30hrs (14:30 to 15:00hrs – break)  | <b>International Students' Party</b><br>Sliema Ferries meeting point at 20.00hrs. Return at 23.00hrs. |
| Thu | <b>Tuition:</b> 09:00 – 12:30hrs (10:30 to 11:00 – break)                                    | <b>Tour: Half Day Mdina + Rabat incl. Knights of Malta</b><br>School at 12:30hrs. Return at 17.30hrs. | <b>Chill Out at Surfside</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 20.00hrs. Return at 23.00hrs.                       |
| Fri | <b>Beach Club</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 09.00hrs. Return at 12.30hrs.                         | <b>Tuition:</b> 13:00 – 16:30hrs (14:30 to 15:00hrs – break)  | <b>International Students' Party</b><br>Sliema Ferries meeting point at 20.00hrs. Return at 23.00hrs. |
| Sat | <b>Sandy Beach</b> (Golden Bay) – Sliema Ferries at 10.30hrs.<br><i>Bring swimwear.</i>      | Return at 16.00hrs.   | <b>Bay Street Evening</b><br>Sliema Ferries at 21:00hrs. Return at 23.00hrs.                          |

Students will be placed in the Sliema area or as close to the school as possible. Details of your address will be communicated upon receipt of your confirmation.

Students are accompanied throughout their activities. Those staying in host family accommodation must make their own way to the designated bus stops as determined in their programme. Bus stops are usually no more than 10 minutes' walk away from their host family accommodation. Similarly, students staying in host family accommodation are expected to make their own way to school every morning. Students are placed within a maximum of 25 minutes walking distance from the school. In the event that the host family accommodation is further away, a weekly bus pass will be provided for no extra cost.

Students placed in Residence will be accompanied by the group leader to school every morning. Similarly, students staying in Residence accommodation must make their own way to the designated bus stops as determined in their programme.

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**Arrival**

The students are greeted at the airport by their AM Language Group Instructor. He will give them the official welcome and hand over their welcome packs which also include their time tables and map. After he will lead them to their respective coaches which will head to either their hotel residence or else to the Ta' Xbiex meeting point where they will meet their host families.

**Entrance to beach club afternoon** *(from mid May until end of September)*

Students can spend the afternoon at the AM Language Beach Club. Here they can enjoy the sun, swim in the deep or opt to sit by the pool. Various amenities such as music, a bar and restaurant are available. Banana rides are also available but are optional and against payment. Students located more than 20 minutes walk away will be provided with transport.

**Bowling**

Show your skills on the lane! An hour's fun bowling at Malta's professional state-of-the-art alleys. The venue also has a snack bar, a games room and is fully air-conditioned.

**Shopping**

Students will be taken to the town centre where they will be able to shop around under the supervision of the local staff.

**Bugibba or Sliema by Night**

Students will enjoy a night out in town under the supervision of local group leaders.

**Sandy beach coach transfer**

Tour Starting @ 0930 and afternoon Tour starting @13.30 – please ensure that you are there 15mins before the departure time.

Every week students can visit various parts of the island when they go to some of Malta's typical sandy beaches. Here they can swim, sunbathe and snorkel (snorkeling equipment for rent when available). Students are also able to make use of the watersports centres found on location but services are optional and against payment.

**Half Day Comino Tour** *(weather permitting – from end April until end September)*

Afternoon tour starting @ 13.30 – please ensure that you are there 15mins before the departure time.

Private transport will be made available at the meeting point to transfer the group to the Northern port of Marfa. This trip will take approx. 40 minutes. Once at Marfa chartered speed boats will ferry the group to Comino. This fast and exciting crossing will take no longer than 10 minutes. Comino is Malta's third largest island and is virtually uninhabited but on the other hand very popular with day trippers. Although Comino has a Sandy beach, the attraction is definitely the crystal clear blue waters of the Blue Lagoon. Students have ample time to walk around the island. They can see the 17<sup>th</sup> century castle built by the Knight's of St. John to safe guard the island from pirates. During their stay the students may venture to other spots of the island. It is recommended to have good walking shoes. Sunblock, hats and caps are essential for this trip, and also water and snacks. Return at approximately 17.30 in Sliema.

**International Summer Disco evenings (FELTOM Parties) - 20<sup>th</sup> June - 30<sup>th</sup> August**

These Student Parties are organized in collaboration with other language schools and offers students the opportunity to interact in a non-alcoholic environment. The price includes transport, entrance and supervision.

**Chill out at Surfside**

A night out where students can relax to some music and enjoy each others company. Finger food and a soft drink provided.

**Festa Evening**

Malta is known for its many churches and the feasts the various parishes organize every year. Most of these feasts take place in the summer and every weekend different parishes host their own feasts in honour of their patron saint. Students will be taken to such a feast and will enjoy a cultural experience – fireworks, local delicacies, bands, and so on.

**Welcome Party**

A Welcome Party at a safe and controlled venue for AM Language students who can dance to the music provided by the DJ.

### **½ day Valletta Tour**

Students will travel to Valletta using the traditional Maltese bus service. The morning tour will start @ 09.30 and the afternoon tour will start @ 13.30. Weather permitting, the students will return to Sliema by Ferry boat – please ensure that you are there 15 minutes before departure time.

The tour starts off in Sliema. Your tour Guide will meet you at the allotted meeting point. We will get to Valletta using private transport service. Once at the capital we will start with a brief explanation of Malta's recent history with Britain. The group then proceeds through the main streets of Valletta and is taken to see the views of the Grand Harbour from one of Valletta's most prominent gardens (Upper Baracca). From here the group can enjoy views of the 3 cities just across the harbour. The tour then proceeds through the streets of Valletta, passing by monuments and landmarks such as the Co-Cathedral of St. John and The Grandmasters' Palace and the students are informed throughout the tour about the Knights of St. John and their connection with Malta. The last stop in Valletta is Malta 5D. After the show, your coach (or ferry) will take you to Sliema.

### **½ day Rabat & Mdina tour**

Guided bus tour, morning Tour starting @ 0930 and afternoon Tour Starting @13.30 – please do ensure that you are there 15 minutes before the departure time.

The guide will meet the group at the allotted meeting point. This excursion starts off with a visit to Malta's Crafts village and in particular the Glass Blowing factory. Next stop is Rabat, the site of many underground Catacombs. After a short walk through the narrow streets of Rabat the group is then escorted to the Citta Vecchia better known as Mdina. It is a real medieval town and the students can visualize for themselves how this ancient town has managed to survive throughout the ages. Also known as the Citta Notabile, Mdina also had close relations with the Knights of St. John. Free time is of the essence and a stop at the famous Fontanella coffee shop is recommended. Students can enjoy a refreshing drink and taste the shop's famous "Chocolate cake" at a reasonable cost. The Mdina bastions offer the visitor a spectacular view of the island. Once our visit to Mdina is over, the tour continues to the scenic Dingli Cliffs, the highest point of the island. After a few minutes of breath taking views your coach will take you back to Sliema.

### **Splash and Fun Water Park** *(from mid May until end of September)*

Malta's only water park consisting of Family Slides, space Bowl slide, Children Water Playground, Lazy River, Wave Pool, Entertainment area and sun deck area. An Animation team will entertain customers from 15<sup>th</sup> June until 15<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Baystreet Evening**

A night out in the main shopping centre of St. Julians. The centre has late night shopping as well as a fully equipped games room (at an extra charge). A group leader will accompany the group.

### **Harbour Cruise by Night**

Meeting point 20 minutes before the departure of the Boat. Please confirm this with the Leisure Department on receipt of ticket.

This is a relaxing evening boat trip which takes you around the Sliema and Valletta Harbours. The cruise starts and ends in Sliema. The boat ploughs along Manoel Island and eventually into our main port. The passengers enjoy scenes of the Three Cities, Birgu, Senglea and Cospicua. Once again the legacy of the Knight's of St. John can only be admired with buildings such as Fort St. Angelo, Fort St. Michael, Fort St. Elmo, Fort Ricasoli, Fortress Valletta and so much more. The Grand Harbour is one of the biggest natural Harbours in Europe and has played a key role in Malta's history throughout the ages and has many stories to tell. This cruise is a chance for the students to admire the beautiful bastions whilst learning about Maltese history in a relaxing environment.

### **Treasure hunt**

This is a group activity and is basically an outdoor English Language session. This activity can be held in either Sliema or Valletta.

The group is divided into small groups of 3 or 4 persons per team and each team will select a team captain. The aim is simple: to understand the questions and to answer them correctly with the assistance of the local people. At the end, the winning team is given a symbolic prize. Students located more than 20 minutes walk away will be given additional transport.

### **Departure**

The students are either picked up from their hotel residences or else from the Ta' Xbiex meeting point to which they would have been brought by their host family. From here they head off to the airport for their departure. The students leave 2 hrs before their flight time.