Subject: Proposed Transition Year Trip to Kenya - March 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are excited to inform you about a proposed overseas trip for Transition Year students taking place in March next year. This unique opportunity will involve a 10-day volunteer programme in the Soysambu Conservancy, Kenya, organised in partnership with Projects Abroad, a UK-based company that specialises in volunteer trips for teenagers.

During the trip, students will engage in a variety of meaningful tasks aimed at supporting local conservation efforts, contributing to community projects, and gaining valuable insights into global citizenship and environmental stewardship.

## **Application Process**

Due to the nature of the programme, places are limited. Interested students should email an application to <code>jsn@naascbs.ie</code> and <code>akg@naascbs.ie</code> to be considered for shortlisting. Selected applicants will be invited for an interview in <code>September</code>.

## Cost and Fundraising

The trip will require a combination of student fundraising from September onwards, as well as a personal financial contribution from each student. Full details on expected costs and fundraising plans will be discussed at an upcoming information evening.

## Parent Information Meeting

We will hold an information meeting for interested students and their parents next Thursday 29th of May in the school at 7pm. This session will provide a detailed overview of the trip, including itinerary, costs, safety measures, and the educational value of the experience.

We look forward to sharing more about this exciting opportunity with you and hope your son will consider applying to be part of this enriching experience.