SV ACADEMY BARBADOS YOUTH EXCHANGE

We are looking forward to our first annual school trip to Barbados. This trip if funded by the Department of Education's Turing Foundation and will fund flights, transport, food and activities. The trip will aim to explore the culture and musical history of the island and create closer ties between the UK and Barbados. Space is limited on the coach so pack for a week and we can wash clothes.

A brief look at our itinerary for the trip

We will be staying at the University of West Indies Keith Hunte Halls. Each participant will have their own room with single bed, sink, desk and fan. There is a shared shower, toilet, kitchen and washing machine and dryers.

MUSIC & MEDIA WORKSHOPS:

Our school group will be participating in music and media workshops with local young people from Barbados at the University of West Indies and as part of a programme organised for us by the National Cultural Foundation of Barbados. We will be providing t-shirts for all participants to wear to joint activities. There will be formal press and media events so pack a smart outfit, something that you could wear to church.

Beach days and water sports *Crop Over is the island's annual carnival*

BEACH DAYS, ISLAND TOUR & EXCURSIONS:

We will be touring the island, visiting local beaches, beauty spots and national parks. There will be opportunities to learn about the island's natural habitat and to enjoy the local food and beaches. The weather will be hot - always - so bring lots of sunscreen and jungle strength mosquito spray. Anti-histamines are also useful to prevent and ease mosquito bites.

Steel Pan festival, called Pandemonium *Snorkelling in clear blue waters*

CROP OVER ACTIVITIES:

Crop Over is Barbados' annual carnival, an explosion of music, costume and dance. The build up to Crop Over starts in June and there will be lots of music, dance and other events that we will participate in. Informal wear - shorts and t-shirts - is best, and slippers, flip flops or sandals are all acceptable.

Harrisons Caves *Oistins Fish Fry*