

A scenic view of a tropical forest at sunrise or sunset. The foreground is filled with dense, lush green foliage, including various types of trees and plants. In the background, a vast expanse of white clouds fills the valley, creating a 'sea of clouds' effect. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm, golden glow over the entire scene. The sky is a mix of blue and orange hues.

MALTBY ACADEMY

Borneo 2028

Why another far-flung trip?

Costa Rica gave the students:

- Teambuilding skills
- Greater confidence and independence
- Raised awareness of other cultures, differences in economic circumstances in countries, and how that can affect life choices



What did the students say?

**Could you describe the
Costa Rica trip in a few
words?**

It was breathtaking!

I got to see a new culture I
never thought I'd
experience.

And it also showed me
that different cultures do
things in different ways
that I wouldn't expect.

Unforgettable,
breathtaking and
engaging.

Memorable and a
trip of a lifetime.

Enjoyable,
memorable and
adventurous.

Memorable, thrilling and
adventurous.

Magical, fun and
cultural.

**What was the best thing
about the Costa Rica
trip?**

Meeting loads of
different people.

Making new friends
and memories with
different people.

I got to make new friends with
people I didn't think I would.

I got to learn about different
cultures and their world.

I also got to go in the hot
springs, which was my
favourite!

Learning about the
culture and how
people live in different
countries.

All the memories and
seeing a new culture.

**What did you learn or
take from the trip?**

I learned how lucky I am to be in this country. Having windows, as stupid as it sounds.

You don't appreciate what you've got until you're sat there in a cabin without a window.

Make sure you connect with other people. You make good friendships and memories.

Don't be afraid to try new things.

Staying together as a team really helps you.

How different other countries are to England, especially the cultural differences as well.

What did the parents say?

**What stood out for your
child on the Costa Rica
trip?**

Experiencing a different culture and environment. The wide range of activities. White water rafting and zip lining were highlights.

How personalised the trip was as a whole.

The difference in her life compared to the people in Costa Rica.

The turtle conservation was very interesting and provided a wealth of knowledge. The ziplines were a really fun experience.

**Overall, how did your
child describe the
Costa Rica trip?**

Memories that will last.
A once in a lifetime
opportunity.

Something everyone
should experience at
least once in their life
time.
A truly unforgettable
experience.

Excellent, once in a
lifetime opportunity.

Great experience,
good fun and made
new friends that she
has kept to this day.

An unbelievable
experience and she's
made life long
memories.

Amazing, fantastic,
loved it. Would like to
go again.

**Did the Costa Rica trip
have an impact/effect
upon your child in an
way?**

Does the washing up
and makes his own bed
now.

Outlook on life. How people live
differently. The world out there
that is there to be explored.
Considering working abroad.

Appreciates nature more
and takes the time to look
at it.

Grown in confidence:
talking to other people
and making new
friends.

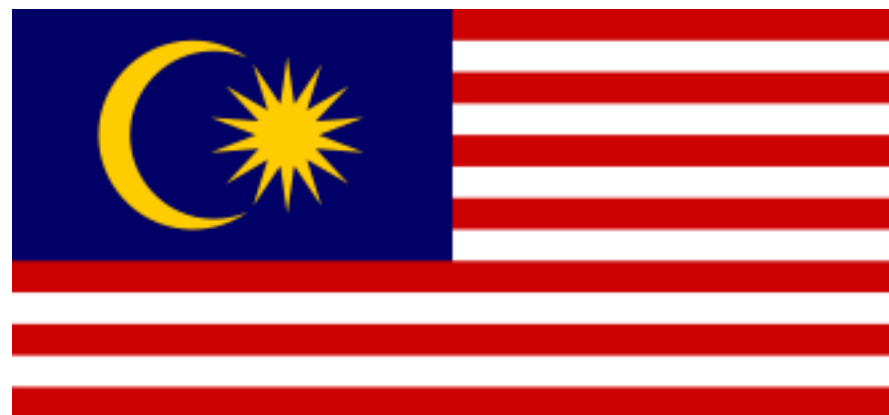
Organisational skills
improved dramatically.

Openly said how much she
appreciates what she has
compared to the poorer parts
of Costa Rica.

Feels more comfortable
commuting on public
transport.

**We expect Borneo will have a
similar lasting impact on
our students.**

**Once in a lifetime experiences
producing long-lasting impacts.**



• BORNEO

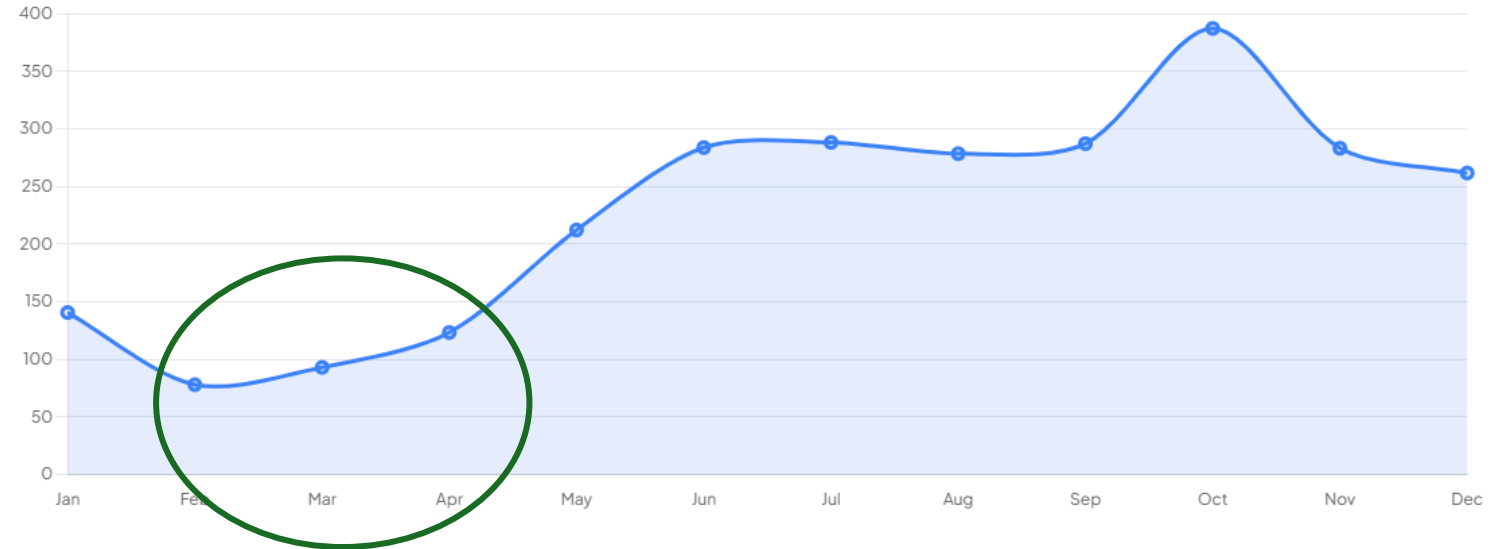
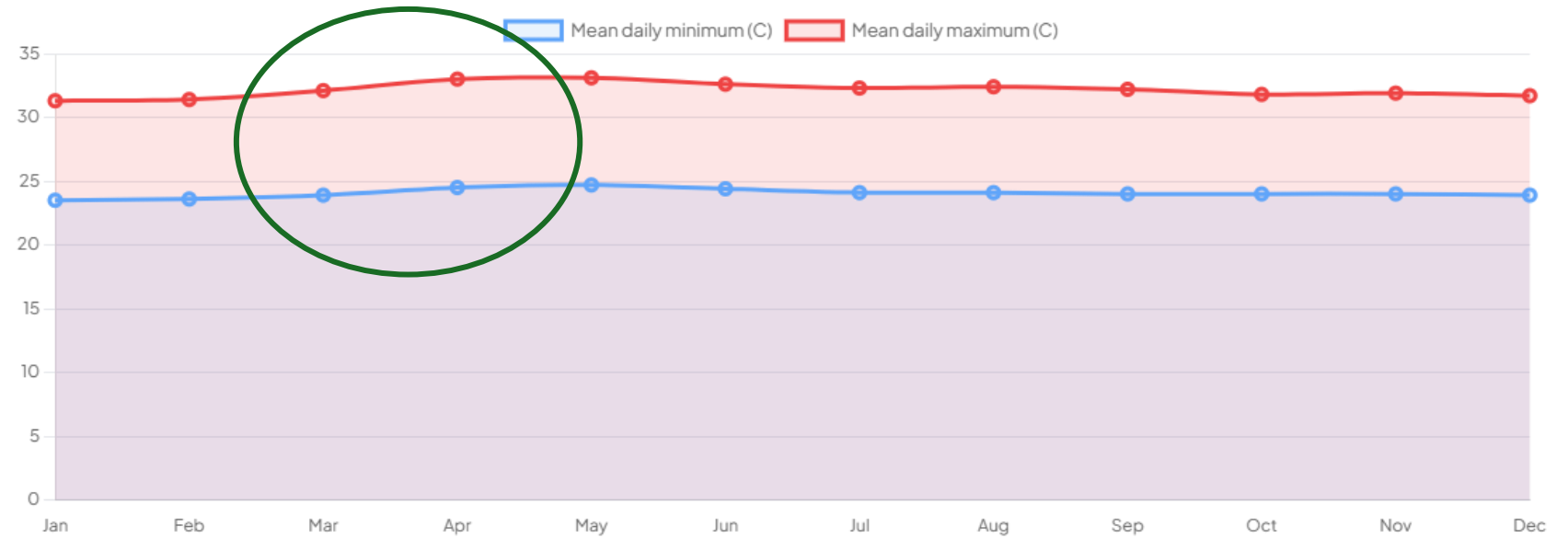
- The world's 3rd largest island
- 3 countries: Malaysia, Indonesia and Brunei

The Climate

Hot – little variation

We're going at the
end of the dry
season

Sunrise 6am
Sunset 6pm



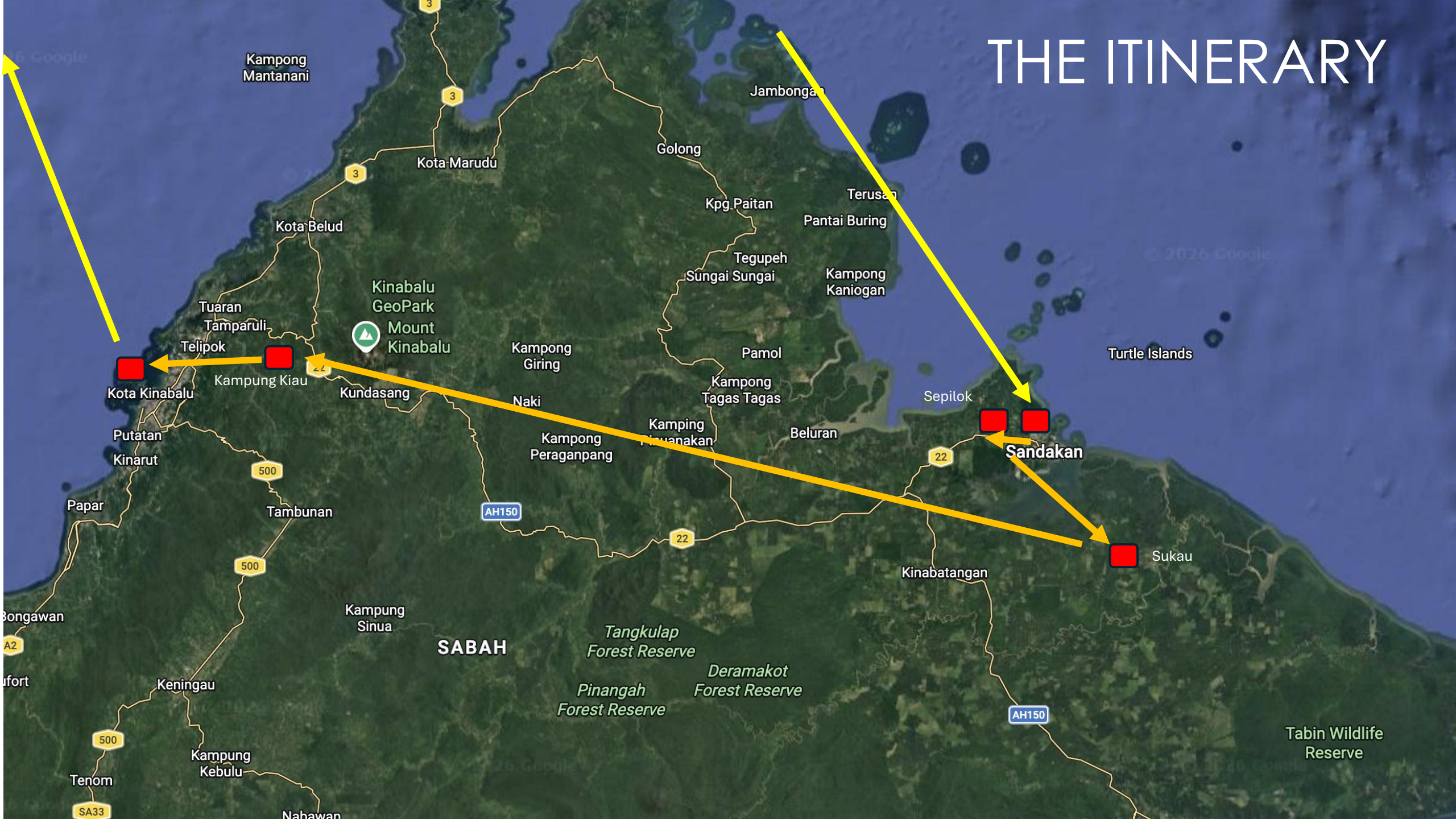
Easter 2028

16 days

SABAH

A scenic view of a tropical coastline. In the foreground, two wooden boats are on the water. The boat on the left is a small motorboat with a blue canopy and a red lifebuoy. The boat on the right is a larger wooden boat with a blue cooler. The water is clear and turquoise, reflecting the sky and the boats. In the background, there are several lush green islands with steep, rocky peaks. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds. The word 'SABAH' is overlaid in large, bold, white capital letters across the center of the image.

THE ITINERARY



A group of proboscis monkeys is shown in a lush green forest. One monkey sits on a high branch, while a group of about ten monkeys, including several adults and young ones, are gathered on a log in the foreground. A blue thought bubble with the text "So, what's the plan?" is positioned near the group on the log. The scene is filled with dense foliage and tree trunks.

So, what's
the plan?

Day 1-2 Depart UK, overnight to Sandakan



Day 2 Rain Forest Discovery Centre, Sepilok



A man wearing a green cap, a light blue t-shirt, green cargo pants, and a backpack is walking on a wooden suspension bridge. The bridge is surrounded by dense tropical rainforest with various green plants and trees. The text "SANDAKAN'S RAINFOREST DISCOVERY CENTRE" is overlaid in large white letters.

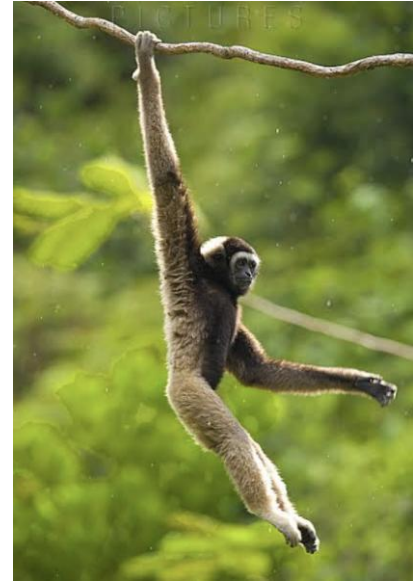
SANDAKAN'S RAINFOREST DISCOVERY CENTRE

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Sepilok Giant tree
800-1,000 years old
66.7m tall
The height of a 19-storey building





THE WILDLIFE

A late afternoon walk amongst the canopy on the raised walkways.

We have an extremely good chance of seeing....

.....red giant flying squirrels



Day 3 Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre, Sepilok



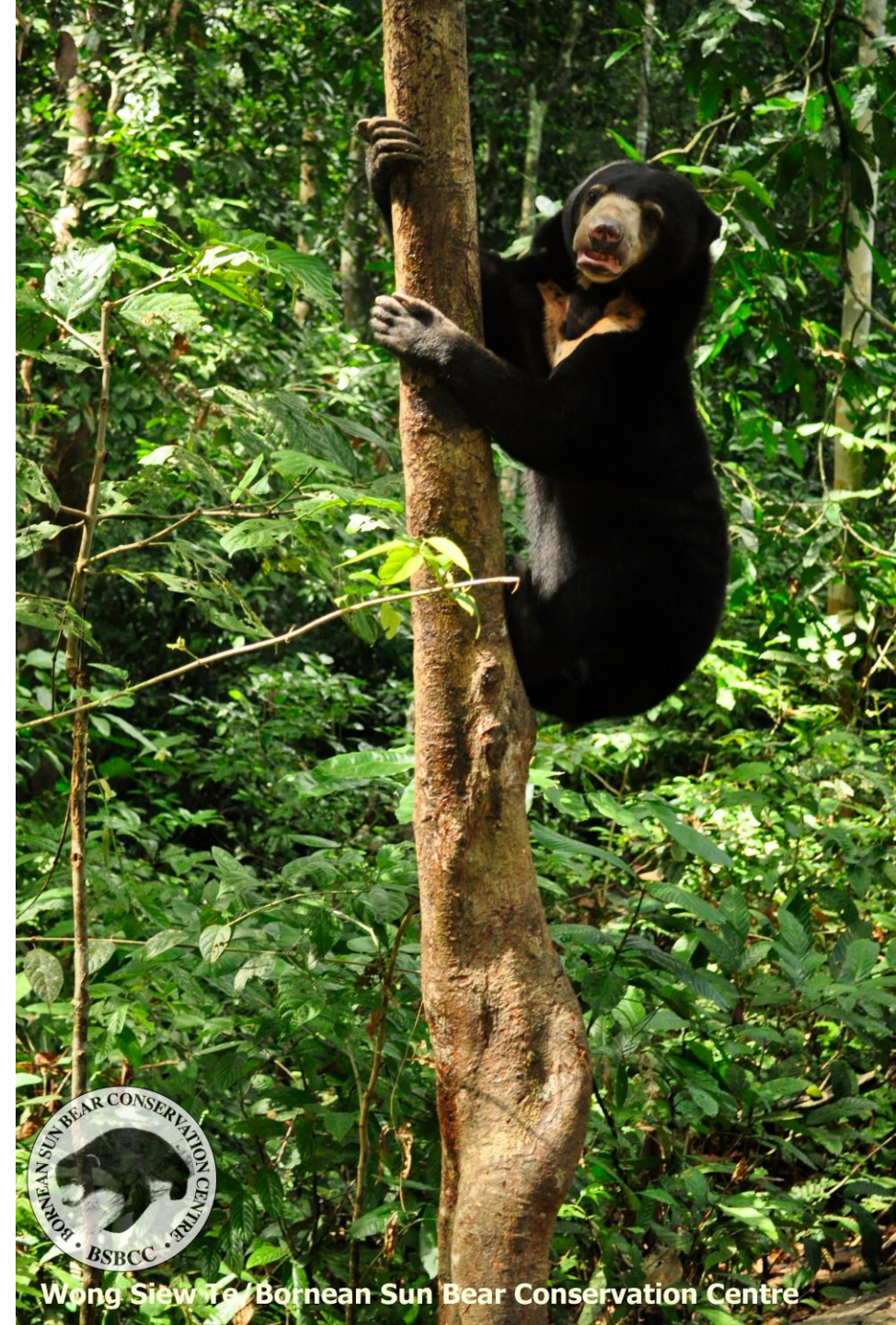
Day 3 Borneo Sun Bear Conservation Centre, Sepilok





Both centres
rehabilitate
animals that
have lost their
habitat or been
kept as pets.

Where possible
they are re-
released into the
wild.



Wong Siew Te / Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre



Sukau

VILLAGE VIEW STAY

COMMUNITY-BASED ECOTOURISM

Days 4-6 Sukau Conservation Project

Kinabatangan River

Conservation activities and
learning about the local
environment



Activities include being taught by conservation workers how to:

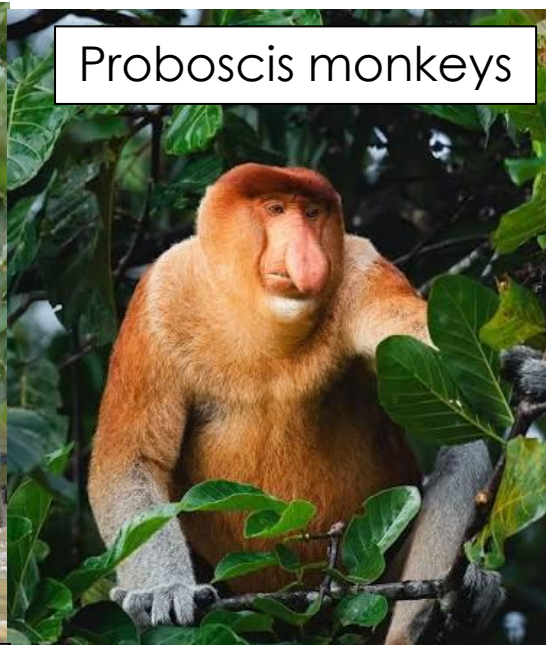
- make hornbill nests
- reforestation
- making fish/ prawn traps for the villagers
- collecting saplings



Wildlife cruises on the Kinabatangan River, wildlife walks and orang utan surveys.
With some luck we might see Borneo's 'Big Five':



Pygmy elephants: the world's smallest elephants



Proboscis monkeys



Rhinoceros hornbill



Saltwater crocodiles



Orangutans in the wild



Day 7 Transfer to Kiau (in the foothills of Mount Kinabalu):
Cultural evening with the local villagers.

Day 8 **Jungle trek with the Dusun:** Learn indigenous survival skills, indigenous food, medicine, construction, etc.

Night walk and frog-hunting.
Sleep outside in hammocks.





Day 9

Tuesday, April 18, 2028

Jungle Trek and Transfer to Kota Kinabalu

This morning we trek out of the rainforest and transfer to Kota Kinabalu. After our experience of the jungle we can spend some time relaxing and enjoying the bustle of the city, searching for souvenirs and exploring the waterside.



Day 10

Wednesday, April 19, 2028

RAID Diving Course

Over the next 3 days we will be completing our RAID diving course. We will be introduced to safe, responsible scuba diving through a combination of classroom learning, confined-water skills and open-water dives. We will develop confidence underwater, learn essential diving techniques, equipment use, marine conservation awareness and emergency procedures. Under qualified instructors, we will gain an internationally recognised certification while building adventure skills for future aquatic activities and exploration.

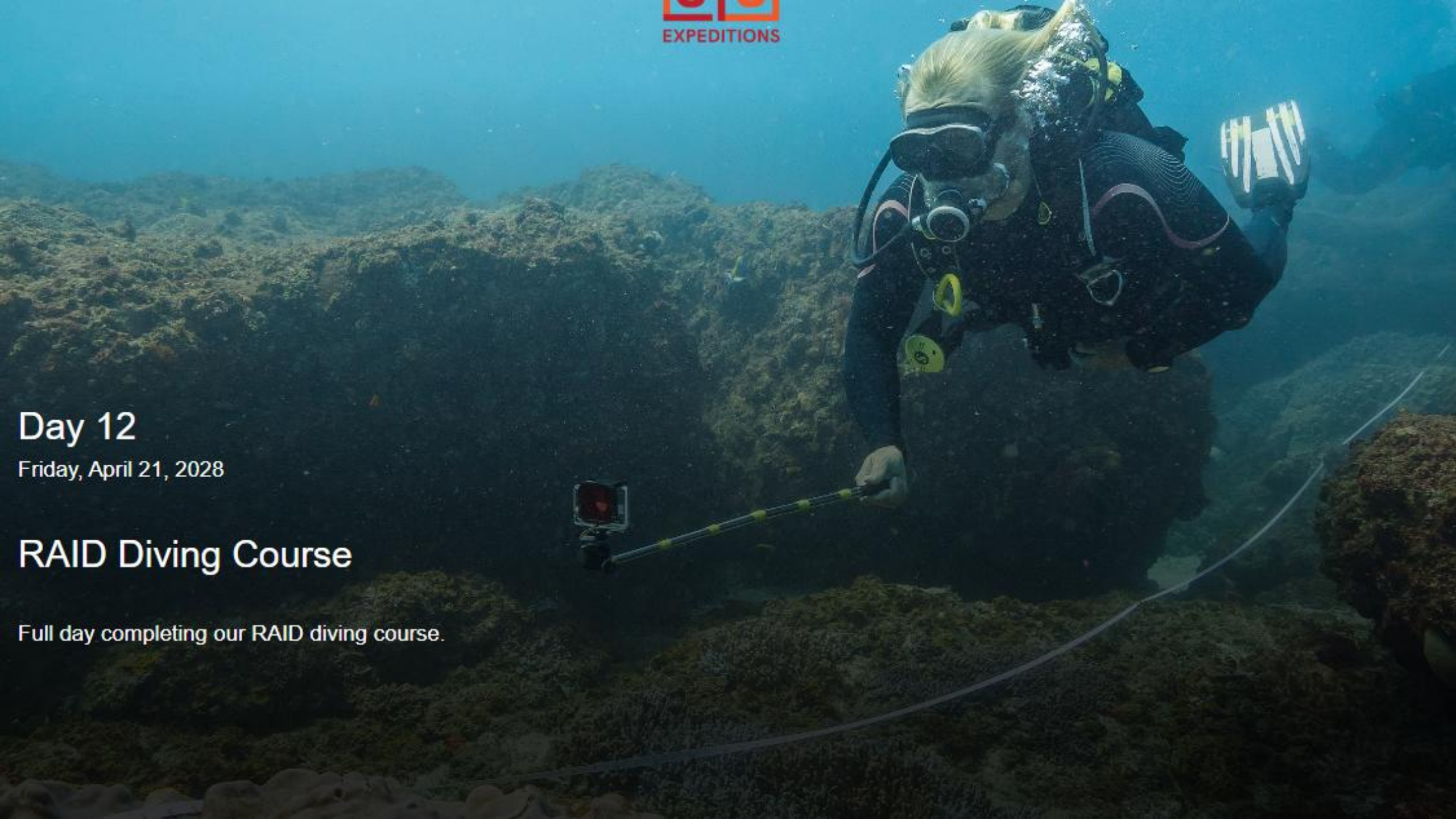


Day 11

Thursday, April 20, 2028

RAID Diving Course

Full day completing our RAID diving course.



Day 12

Friday, April 21, 2028

RAID Diving Course

Full day completing our RAID diving course.







And if we're really lucky.....





Day 13

Saturday, April 22, 2028

Marine Ecology Research Centre (MERC)

Today we visit the Marine Ecology Research Centre (MERC) off the coast. We are met on arrival by MERC staff for a briefing and full tour of the rehabilitation centre for marine life. Here we learn about the importance of their work for the local ecology. Activities can include helping with MERC's Seagrass Transplanting Project, cleaning the coral nursery (brushing algae and collecting snails!) and learning about the importance of phytoplankton as a live food source for many young sea animals.



Adopt a coral



The MERC site



Clean the coral nursery

- **Day 14 Guided conservation snorkelling**

Tunku Abdul Rahman Marine Park:
Learn about coral reef ecology, threats to the marine ecosystem and how to assess marine health.





Day 14 Visit Sapi island by the Coral Flyer

Visit a tropical island by the Coral Flyer – the world's longest island to island zipline at 250m!





Day 15-16 Deaprt Kota Kinabalu and return to the UK



Food

Food in Malaysian Borneo is rich, varied and incredibly tasty!



Accommodation

We will use a variety of accommodation types:

- Guest house
- Homestay
- Dormitory
- Hammock in the jungle

KEY POINTS

When: Easter 2028

Date: Friday 31st March-Sunday 17th April

Days: 16

Cost: £4,700

Fundraising: £750/ student – this is a commitment. We will use a range of methods and have a co-ordinated fund-raising plan, including:

Individual fund raising

In-school activities

Sponsorship

Parental group event organisation?

Physical rating: 3/5

Cultural rating: 3/5

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- **Some fundraising ideas – there are many more!**

- In school events, e.g. refreshments
- Sponsored events/ activities
- Students' jobs
- Sponsorship from local companies
- *Easyfundraising*
- A parental team?
- Organised events, e.g. a ceilidh

Documentation

- No visa for UK nationals
- Passports must be valid for 6 months after entering Malaysia



Vaccinations

Gov.uk advice

Advised:

- Hepatitis A
- MMR
- Typhoid

Considerations:

Antimalarials (Malaysian Borneo is low risk)

Rabies

Japanese encephalitis

Dengue

Advice may change and be updated

Vaccinations are a parental choice, but please be aware that failure to follow Gov.uk vaccination advice could invalidate your child's insurance.

Scuba diving practice

All students will be required to
try a taster session with
Sheffield

Sub-Aqua Club (£25)



What's included?

- UK airport transport costs
- All accommodation, activities, entrance fees, transportation
- 3 meals per day (arrival and departure days may differ)
- International air fares and taxes
- Insurance
- Bi-lingual, first aid qualified STC tour leader, and local guides where required
- Pre-trip information sessions
- ATOL financial protection
- 24-hr emergency response
- A significant contribution towards UK airport transfers
- Tips for local guides, restaurants, etc.

What's not included?

- Soft drinks and bottled drinking water
- Visas/ tourist visas if required (i.e. non-UK nationals)
- Vaccinations
- Personal spending money



**Application
deadline:
Monday 12th
October at 5pm**

Any questions?

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