



# South Dartmoor Community College

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Dear Parents / Carers

## **Scuba Diving Expedition- Marsa Alam Egypt**

South Dartmoor has a proud history of running exciting and successful trips over a number of years. For 2026, we would like to offer the opportunity, in the first instance, to current Y11 students who intend to be in Y12 at SDCC in 2026, to join a Scuba Diving trip to Marsa Alam Egypt, taking place the first week of Easter holidays. The trip will give the students an opportunity to experience a unique activity, support an ongoing ecological and educational programme and experience a different culture, language and geographical setting. They will also have the opportunity to take their PADI Open Water Diving qualification which is a lifelong qualification enabling individuals to dive independently anywhere in the world.

I am an experienced Instructor/diver and have run many scuba diving trips, for the military, diving clubs, family and friends and I am delighted to present this opportunity for students at South Dartmoor.

The dates of travel are from Monday 6 April 2026 – Monday 13 April 2026

<b>Departure Date</b>	Sunday 6 April, from Bristol Airport
<b>Diving Resort</b>	<b>Marsa Nakari – Marsa Alam</b>
<b>Accommodation:</b>	Safari type tents
<b>Resort:</b>	Marsa Nakari
<b>Duration:</b>	7 Days
<b>Price</b>	£2295

This cost includes the following package: -

- Flights from Bristol airport to Hurghada airport (return)
- Transfers Hurghada airport- Nakari Diving center- (return)
- 7 Nights Twin share Royals for students
- Full board & selected soft drinks
- PADI OW Course including equipment
- 1 Day House reef diving FOC
- 1 Day Equipment hire FOC
- Deco Fee
- Environmental Fee
- PADI in resort online training materials
- Certification

This trip is restricted to 12 students, due to the instructor to student ratios whilst in the qualification phase of the trip. Further information about Scuba Diving at Marsa Shagra/Nakari can be found here. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=St4RDky2yyk&t=15s>, or youtube search for Marsa Shagra diving resort.

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If you are interested in participating in this trip please return the slip below by Wednesday 11 December. If there is sufficient interest you will then be invited to an information evening in the new year where more details about the trip, payment etc will be shared. Following that you will then be asked to commit to a place on the trip by paying a deposit and setting up a payment plan. If this trip is oversubscribed, we will need to draw names randomly and then operate a waiting list system should anyone drop out.

If you would like any further information, please contact me by email [arichards@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk](mailto:arichards@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk).

Yours faithfully

**Alan Richards**

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**RE: Scuba Diving Expedition - Marsa Alam Egypt**

Student Name: ..... Tutor Group: .....

I am interested in my child participating in the 2026 Scuba Diving trip and will be attending the Information Evening in the New Year.

Parent / Carer Signature: ..... Date: .....

**Please return to Mr Richards Rm04 by Wednesday 11 December 2024**

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