

PODAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, SAMASTIPUR

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to inform you that the school has arranged an optional Educational / Fun Trip, especially for the students of Grades VI to XII on 16th **September 2026**, to visit Rajgir (Bihar)

Mentioned below are the details of the Field Trip

TENTATIVE ITINERARY

Day 1
Assemble at School
Leave from School towards Rajgir
Breakfast
Overnight train journey
Arrive Rajgir & Check at the hotel
Lunch at the hotel
Proceed to Visit Swarn Bhandar
Evening snack at the hotel
Dinner & overnight stay at Rajgir
Day 2
Breakfast & Proceed for the day
Proceed to visit Rajgir Nature Park & Zoo Safari
Lunch
Proceed to Nalanda University Ruins
Arrive back to hotel
Evening snack at the hotel
Dinner & overnight stay at Rajgir
Day 3
Breakfast & Check-out
Visit Vishwa Shanti Stupa
Lunch at the outside restaurant
Proceed back to hometown
Evening snack (Packed)
Arrive school & Dispersal

Note: The above itinerary is tentative and can change depending on the train tickets availability, weather conditions, traffic conditions, railway delays or any other unavoidable conditions.

About Rajgir

Rajgir Tourism possesses large amounts of monuments and spots that can enhance the explorer's information and encounters and can excite anyone. Jains and Buddhists have an incredible love for the city as their religious masters, specifically Gautam Buddha and Mahavir, spent a huge piece of their lives in the city. Rajgir signifies "rajagriha", "place of ruler". It uncovers a great deal about the narrative of Emperor Jarasandha and his war with the Pandavas. Rajgir additionally eye-witnessed the trip of Gautam Buddha and Lord Mahaveer.

About Swarn Bhandar

The Son Bhandar Caves, also Sonebhandar, are two artificial caves belong to Jainism (to Ajivikas earlier) are in Rajgir in the state of Bihar in India.

The caves are generally dated to the 3rd or 4th century CE, based on the dedicatory inscription found in the largest cave which uses Gupta script of the 4th century CE, although some authors have suggested the caves could actually go back to the period of the Maurya empire from 319 to 180 BCE. The main cave is rectangular with a pointed ceiling, and the entrance is trapezoidal, reminiscent of the structure of the Barabar Caves (the first artificial caves of India, dated the 3rd century BCE).[3] The quality of the Mauryan polish and the finish are nevertheless much inferior.

About Rajgir Nature Park

Rajgir Zoo Safari, spread over 191.12 hectares, is Bihar's first zoo safari, inaugurated on 16.02.2022. It combines in-situ and ex-situ conservation through large natural enclosures, providing a near-natural habitat for wildlife. The safari includes Lion, Tiger, Bear, Leopard, and Herbivore zones, along with an Exotic Aviary, and modern interpretation and educational facilities such as the Interpretation Centre, 180° Theatre, Open Theatre, and Children's Park, enhancing both visitor experience and conservation awareness.

Participation in this Trip by Students is completely optional.

About Nalanda University Ruins

Nalanda is about 90 km southeast of Patna. Although its history goes back to the times of the Buddha, the university at Nalanda was founded in the 5th century CE, and it flourished for the next 700 years. Its decline began in the late Pala period, but the final blow was the invasion by Bakhtiyar Khilji around 1200 CE. The subjects that were taught at Nalanda included Buddhist scriptures (of both the Mahayana and Hinayana schools), philosophy, theology, metaphysics, logic, grammar, astronomy and medicine. Chinese travellers Hiuen-Tsang and I-Tsing had written detailed accounts about the university.

A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the ruins attract historians, archaeologists, and Buddhist followers. Visitors can walk through the remains and visualize the grandeur of what was once the most prestigious learning center of the ancient world. Excavations continue to reveal new aspects of this lost university.

Trip Cost per Student: 9960/-

Trip Cost Includes:

- ❖ All Entry Fee
- ❖ 3*Star Facility Hotel
- ❖ Breakfast, Lunch, Evening Snacks, Dinner
- ❖ AC bus for local transportation
- ❖ Sufficient Support Staff and Teachers escorting the students.

Trip Cost Excludes:

- ❖ Personal expenses of whatever Nature

Payment Terms and Conditions:

- ❖ 100% payment at the time of booking (Non-refundable in any case.)
- ❖ We will accept Online Payment through the School Portal – Loop Learning / Between Us.

Please log into your Account, go to the Smart Tours Fees heading in the Other Fees section, the Trip Payment Link will be visible. If any queries or issues related to online payment, please contact the School Account Department.

❖ **Last date to make the Trip Payment: 25th August 2026**

Please note: As we are dealing with external vendors and venues, the below policies will have to be strictly adhered to:

- ❖ The payment deadline will be strictly enforced. Students will not be able to attend the Trip if they do not make the payment before the deadline. No extensions or exemptions to the deadline date will be given.
- ❖ Payment for the Trip is strictly non-refundable under all circumstances.

Things for students to carry compulsorily

- ❖ Students will be in school uniform and wear ID cards, comfortable sports shoes, and a Cap. Hand napkin, towel, and water bottle to also be carried.
- ❖ Enough Pairs of clothing to suffice for the entire trip duration.
- ❖ Light woolen jacket (depending on the weather), toiletries, polythene bag for soiled clothes
- ❖ Regular Prescribed Medicines (If any)
- ❖ Paper Napkins, Hand Sanitizers, Face wash, Hand napkin, Face Mask if required
- ❖ Whilst travelling school uniform is mandatory
- ❖ If your ward is attending the field trip, it is compulsory to send the consent form duly filled; otherwise, your ward will not be allowed to take the trip.

SAFETY CARE:

- ❖ School teachers will accompany the students to look after them on the Trip. However, whilst every possible care will be taken for a safe and smooth Trip, the school authorities and their associated Trip operators are free from any liability / responsibility arising from unforeseen circumstances beyond their control.

Student Learning Objectives from this Field Trip:

- ❖ Experiential learning provides essential life skills, Financial Literacy, Responsibility, Social and Emotional Skills, Leadership and Accountability, Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

Please also note :

- ❖ Parents to drop & pick up their ward from the School only.
- ❖ Expensive Items or Jewelry should not be worn by students.
- ❖ Any kind of smart gadgets will not be allowed.
- ❖ Parents are requested not to send any cash along with the student.

Consent Form:

- ❖ Consent form is available as terms and conditions in the school portal payment link. Your consent form are digitally signed and approved by yourself at the time of payment.

Regards,

The Principal