Dear Principal,

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: International Study Tour to China, 2014 – ONLY 2 POSITIONS LEFT**

In partnership with The Confucius Institute at the University of Western Australia, AISWA invites principals and leaders to submit an expression of interest to attend the 2014 AISWA International Study Tour to China. This unique study tour will provide opportunity for school leaders to gain a greater understanding of the Asian region, contributing to the Australian Curriculum’s cross-curricular perspective of Asia and Australia’s engagement with Asia.

The tour is specifically geared to the education sector in China, with a view to gaining a better insight into the possibilities of interaction between West Australian Schools and Chinese Schools. It will be contextualised within a broad introduction to Chinese culture, education, economic development, with a particular focus on municipality: Hangzhou.

Run in conjunction with the Zhejiang University, the education tour will include visits to schools, with in-depth discussions with local principals and teachers, and with representatives of the Chinese Ministry of Education in Zhejiang. You will be accompanied by a representative from the Confucius Institute who will offer both interpretative and guide services, and expert explanation of the context of each component of the visit. If you wish, you will also have the opportunity to begin the process of developing a student exchange relationship with schools in China.

The visit is planned to take place from **Saturday, 4 October – Saturday, 11 October 2014**. The approximate cost is $3,000.00 per person. This includes return airfare, 6 nights’ accommodation, breakfast, lunch and land travel in China. Travel insurance and travel to and from the Perth International Airport will be a personal cost. Any other costs associated with extra days or activities outside of the AISWA tour, will the responsibility of your school. No claims may be made against AISWA for extra expenses.

Places are limited, so please register your interest at your earliest convenience. To register your interest, please complete the attached form and return to Stacey McKenzie by Monday, 17 February 2014.

Yours sincerely

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