

UK and IRELAND DEPARTURE MEETING AGENDA – APRIL 11 @7:00PM

LARGE GROUP MEETING 7:00

1. We will not be answering any blog comments -do not ask us to tell so&so to call home -it will not happen
 2. Luggage MUST be identifiable -if you have black or blue luggage brighten it up with "hello kitty" etc duck tape - before our return flight be SURE you have your name tags on it (a few people had no names on their luggage and then when the luggage was lost there was no way to identify it). AS WELL, you must put on an Air Canada luggage tag with the destination as our 1st hotel is Leonardo Inn West End Glasgow G120XP United Kingdom Glasgow 00441413348161 – it is on your lanyard so use that info to correctly tag this aid Canada luggage tag.
 3. Packing your backpack -all meds must be in there! Pack 5-6 snacks, plus you will pack 1 pair of caprie/pants plus 2 t shirts and 2 underwear -just in case your luggage is lost.
 4. Due to Covid things on flights have changed so, depending on the flights snacks and drinks will need to be purchased and you can only purchase these with a credit card.
 5. When going through security at different sites ex Doune Castle, West Highland Museum, Margaret's Chapel etc -pack your common sense -what ever would not make security at an airport will not pass through security at places we'll go to (ex. student packing a hunting knife as it was important to him) he didn't want to leave it in his hotel room -he was almost arrested for this at the Vatican City
5. Donna –go over luggage and some packing stories! **EVERYONE MUST KNOW WHAT MEDS THEY HAVE PACKED AND WHAT THEY ARE FOR AS WELL ALL TRAVELLERS MUST PACK THEIR BAGS –PARENTS ARE NOT TRAVELLING WITH YOU SO YOU MUST BE THE PACKER WITH YOUR PARENTS HELP!**

CARRY ON

Maximum size:

23 cm x 40 cm x 55 cm

(9 in x 16 in x 22 in)

Wheels and handles included.

Maximum weight:

10 kg (22 lb)

CHECKED BAGGAGE

Max. weight per bag:

23kg (50lb)

Max. linear dimensions per bag:

158cm (62in)



Tour Director's:

6. **PACK LIGHT –PACK LIGHT –PACK LIGHT** –so your suitcase should not weigh more than 35 lbs when leaving Canada
7. **EF's emergency number 1-800 387-1460**
8. **Download the EF traveler app Tour # 2430035DC Access Code 729639 to access the itinerary.** This can be done 72 hours prior to lift off!
9. **Tour Director is Cathal Healy**
10. Tape itinerary into your journal
11. Hotel keys -must always turn them in at the desk whenever you're leaving the room as 3 of you need to know where the key is. A \$75 fee for a lost key.

SMALL GROUP MEETING

1. TD's lunch specials -you do not need to eat there -it's an option but lunches are your own choice
2. Go through scenarios of A) What does it look like to be a respectful roommate ie space /key/ helping pack/ if ill taking food back to them/ etc
 - B) What does it look like to be respectful to advisors
 - C) What does a "team player" on the travel club look like? – welcoming/inclusive/ asking questions about that person/ if someone is by themselves ask if they'd like to join you/ sharing/ understanding/cooperative/
3. For this trip to a success you **MUST** hydrate (drink at least 1.5 L of water daily) use hand cleanser all the time (before meals/every time you get on and off the bus, before you open your water bottles, wear a mask
4. Hand out money –have the kids give you back the money they want you to carry. Have them count out the money and put it in a sealed envelope with their name on it. I'll be carrying all but 120-200 Sterling Pounds of my kids money. Once we get to the hotels this money will go into the safe - have a parent help collect spending money.

EXTRA ACTIVITIES that our TD has suggested: (this will be updated prior to our meeting as he's on tour now)

5. GO OVER FLIGHTS – arrive at the airport 9:00 AM Friday April 15 at the Saskatoon airport,
6. Our return flight has changed so we get back to Saskatoon at 8:53 pm

7. go over the rooming lists – we’re hoping to be in triples for the girls which gives us 1 female double and the guys would get 2 double rooms.

8. Talk about packing

9. Go over “The last things to Think about” Doc

10. *Really stress not contacting home and NOOOO drama with girl friends/boy friends and texting parents –if there is an issue we the advisor’s will handle it. Once a week is our goal! Lets applaud this and encourage this as once kids contact home they often become homesick. This takes away from their tour experience as often kids are more concerned with getting internet access than embracing what's happening right around them. Start talking to your son/daughter about not contacting home! NO NEWS IS GREAT NEWS!!*