The Ambassador in 2027

We often have students from unusual places. Sometimes these are countries we know little or nothing about. Sometimes we don't even know where they are.

For example: In the last few years, we have come to know where the Faroe Islands are; what language they speak; how they have four seasons in one day sometimes several times in one day; that there are four traffic lights in the country; that there is no word for traffic jam. In 2016, we had Ambassadors from the Balearic Islands, Quebec, France, Germany and the Netherlands. In 2017, we had Ambassadors from Monaco, Norway and Quebec. In subsequent years we have had Ambassadors from other countries.

Meeting people from unusual backgrounds is part of the value of a Vacational Studies Course.

We have the role of Ambassador for those from unusual countries or parts of countries, or countries with aspects hidden from most of us who are willing and able to enlighten us about them.

The criteria are:

1. The Ambassador must have exceptional knowledge of the country and be able to speak about it:
2. Interestingly
3. Observantly
4. Amusingly
5. Engagingly and
6. In excellent English

The Ambassador may become part of 'An Audience with…'.

The Ambassador will go from class to class at the direction of the Academic Manager to engage in conversation at that class's linguistic level.

Unless already known, the Ambassador will be chosen after a Zoom interview with Ian Mucklejohn.

The Ambassador's parents may (or may not) be offered a part-Scholarship for ambassadorial duties.

The Ambassador may be of any age and from any background.

This may be a useful addition to a CV.

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