



ArcticTerns

Worldschooling Newsletter

Our first newsletter!

After a lot of fine tuning, we are very happy to send you our first newsletter.
From now on will be sending out a newsletter on a weekly or biweekly base.

Every Worldschooler has a story to tell.

Every travelling family has a unique background, experience or knowledge, that they can share with others to expand and inspire.

In our newsletter we offer a platform to all the different stories that are out there.

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Jak Boston about educating children while traveling.

Hi Jak, could you tell us a bit about yourself and your family?

Hey there! I'm Jak, - Traveller, Dad and Worldschooler.

We are a family of 4 from the UK who have been living internationally for almost 15 years. After leaving the UK with a one way ticket to Asia in 2010, Lisa and I started teaching in International schools. 12 years and 2 kids later, we were ready for a change. After the pandemic we made the decision to put travel, experiences and worldschooling at the top of our priorities and decided not to renew teaching contracts and started planning a year of full time travel.

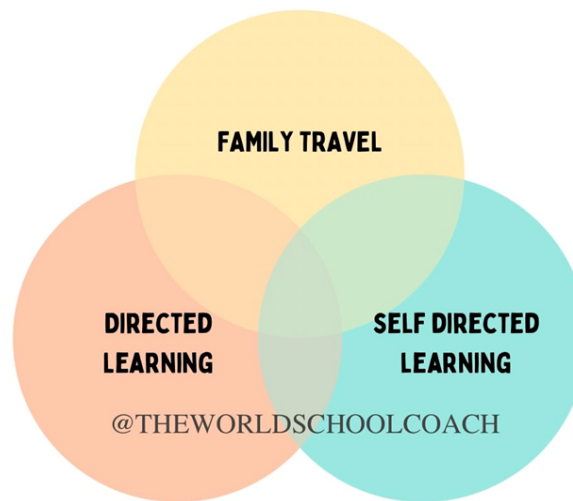


What made you start traveling as a family?

We wanted to travel to show our children more of the world, spend quality time together, chase freedom and educate the kids through travel experiences.

How do you educate your children while traveling?

It took a while to find our Worldscool rhythm and it is constantly evolving process that follows their interests, makes the most of new destinations and travel experiences but also builds on their prior academic learning. Our approach lies somewhere in the middle of unschooling and homeschooling, but always with travel experiences at the forefront.



Do you have a daily routine for learning?

We don't set a routine for education as we travel but rather we see what works best in each destination.

We maintain 'academic subjects' like maths, reading and writing through online learning and embrace any opportunity to apply these skills in day to day real life contexts.

Do you see any negative sides of worldschooling?

Choosing to worldschool is an amazing, highly rewarding yet sometimes challenging lifestyle choice; seeking new experiences, spending precious time together and learning through travel. While this freedom and flexibility sounds amazing it can also be overwhelming.

That's why decided to set up the Worldscool Coach, to empower more families to embrace this lifestyle. We want to help families overcome any barriers or anxiety to stepping away from the traditional school system; offering resources, insights, strategies and practical guidance to

turn any uncertainties and concerns about worldschooling into a confident, positive approach to travel and learning.

What advice would you give parents on how to educate their children while traveling?

There is no one size fits all for worldschooling; each child, family, destination, and learning opportunity is unique. Therefore flexibility is key.

My top tips for families starting worldschooling would be;

1. TRUST that learning is enhanced by interacting with the world around us.
2. OPEN UP to learning opportunities in many forms and take them as they come.
3. GRASP teachable moments and be present, learn together.
4. REFLECT and review the learning, conversations, experience and make connections to other knowledge and skills.
5. PRIORITISE EXPERIENCES- There are lots of resources and curriculums that will support learning but for us the highest value is on the experiences and interactions in the places we visit.

Thank you Jak! Where can our readers find out more about you and your family's adventures?

You can follow our Family Travels and Worldschooling at www.bostontribetravels.com
Or on IG and FB [@BOSTON_TRIBE_TRAVELS](https://www.instagram.com/BOSTON_TRIBE_TRAVELS) and [@THEWOLDSCHOOLCOACH](https://www.instagram.com/THEWOLDSCHOOLCOACH)

Also see Jak's experiences in Bansko here: <https://youtu.be/JykCN99pII4>

What is **your** story? Share it with the Worldscool world.

The future of our hubs

It's been over 4 years since we set foot in the small and unknown Bulgarian town Bansko, and started creating what we found missing in this part of the Worldscooling world: Community.

Fast forward four years, and Bansko is one of the most known towns on the Worldscooling map. Hundreds of Worldscoolers have joined our program. Many have extended or came back for a second season.

Also, we decide to bring Worldscoolers to the Netherlands. We designed a program for the whole family, suitable for Worldscoolers of about 5 years and older. While staying at a community park and returning there every evening with our organised group transport, we did excursions over the whole country. Learning about the Dutch country and culture by a variety of City Trips, Museum Visits, Workshops, Traditional Celebrations, Educational Activities, Tours,

Amusement Parks. A high quality program where everything is taken care of.

Simultaneously we ran a Teen Camp, where the teens got to experience all the mentioned cultural activities, while diving deeper into the Dutch country and culture through their projects about watermanagement and the Dutch way of thinking. Most teens stayed in their own teen cabin and experienced co-living with all the responsibilities that came with it. While supervised by our facilitators, the teens were responsible for their own house rules, cooking, grocery shopping, cleaning, etc.

A program that left such nice memories and such a deep friendships between participating families and teens, an experience to never forget.

We would love to repeat these programs this fall, as well as our Bansko program in the winter, but we would like to know from you if you are interested in joining us on this experience, and if so, what you would like to see in our programs.

Please share your opinion, join our waitlist and receive up to **12,5% discount**.

Join our waitlist now!



This week in Worldschoooling Bansko

It's been a great week at Worldschoooling Bansko, packed with exciting activities and unforgettable experiences:

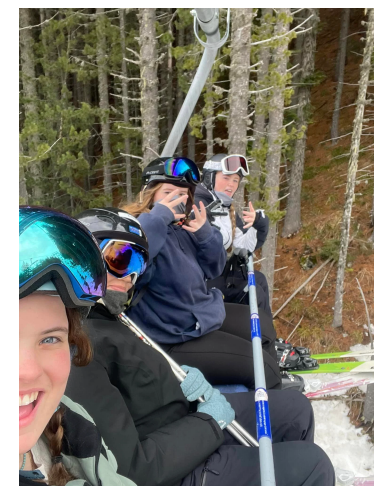
The week kicked off with some skiing adventures in the morning. In the afternoon, the kids had an opportunity to step into the boots of firefighters, and they got to visit a real fire station too. Meanwhile, teens and parents delved into time and task management during an insightful skill-sharing session with Anne Dupal. The day concluded with a lively Dungeons and Dragons adventure and a board game night featuring Cashflow.

Tuesday brought more excitement with swimming adventures and exhilarating snow fun at the bottom of the gondola. In the evening, families gathered for a delightful dinner at Deska House, indulging in traditional Bulgarian cuisine and immersing themselves in the rich cultural experience.

Mid-week was full of activities with skiing, baking cookies, outside game and bonfire. Families also got a deeper insight into Bulgarian culture with Baba Marta activities, creating traditional martenitzas to welcome the spring. The day ended with relaxation at Villa Victoria's hot spring.

Thursday started with the usual volunteering at Bansko Street Dogs, taking the doggies for a walk in the park. Then the brave ones had a chance at rock climbing in the mountains in the afternoon. In the evening, the parents had a fun-filled karaoke night at Lions Pub, while the kids were kept busy with a movie night and a Dungeons and Dragons session.

As the week drew to a close, families came together for more fun-filled activities, including puppet shows, face painting, and journalism sessions for all ages, where the kids created a fun radio show to showcase the week's happenings. They also had a chance to learn about hot springs and to present their radio show for the whole hub. The week ended with a gaming night for the kids, a hangout for the teens and hot wine and chat for the parents, a perfect wind down of the week for all ages.



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