



Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: A Level Geography Field Studies Trip – Friday 3rd – Sunday 5th May 2024

As part of the A Level Geography course, students are required by the exam board, to undertake 4 days of compulsory field studies. The data collection programme can come from any element of the A Level course; however, the team have chosen two key areas which are:

1. Re-branding places
2. Coasts – Protection/Conflict

The planning for the Residential has been sadly delayed due to the unfortunate change of proposed calendar date and the difficulty in finding suitable accommodation and/ or a residential field studies centre. However, we are really pleased that due to a late cancellation we were able to secure dates at Leeson House Field Studies centre. This is fantastic news as NSB have used this centre many times for their A level students and know how beneficial the course is that their tutors provide.

The Geography Field Studies programme will enable a ‘hands on’ approach to data collection which, if the students wish, they can apply to their own programme of study when they return. The main objective is for the students to be able to collect sufficient data whilst away to be able to produce their Non-Examination Assessment (coursework), which has a 20% weighting in marks for the Geography A level course.

It is proposed that all A Level Geography students undertake a field studies programme from 3rd to 5th May 2024 in Swanage. The cost of this field trip includes two night’s full board accommodation at Leeson House, transportation to and from Swanage, and to our daily focus areas (Swanage – Boscombe – Studland). It also includes the cost of supporting tutors from Leeson House Education Centre and use of their equipment and resources. The fourth day will take place on Tuesday 7th May in Northampton looking at the regeneration of the Market Square. Giving students Monday 6th May off as the bank holiday. The timing along with itinerary and kit list will come out closer to the day of departure.

The overall cost is £270. Payments can be made via Parent Pay, which is the easiest and most secure method of payment. I understand that there may be issues with payment as this is at short notice. If you need to discuss the payments, then please contact me via email in the first instance [Toneill@nsbtrust.school](mailto:Toneill@nsbtrust.school) – and I will do my very best to help.

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Second Payment of £50 February 29th 2024

Third payment of £50 March 29th 2024

Forth payment of £50 April 30th 2024

Final payment of £ 50 May 31st 2024

Please look out for an email from Evolve, as this will contain the Medical and Consent Form which will need to be completed by 19th January 2024.

Yours Sincerely,

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