



14th June 2011

Dear Parent,

A2 Geography Fieldtrip

I am writing to inform you of the arrangements for the Year 13 residential geography fieldtrip to Slapton Ley FSC in Devon. The dates of the fieldwork are as follows;

Friday 30th September to Monday 3rd October 2011

Fieldwork is an essential part of the A2 course and enables the students to learn fieldwork skills and collect data which they need to complete Unit 4A for their Geography course. This unit accounts for 20% of their final grade and replaces the coursework module from the previous specification. Exam questions refer specifically to work undertaken by students in the field. We have used the FSC centres for several years and in our experience they provide the best possible environment in which to prepare the students to achieve the highest possible grades.

Students will need to be at school on the Friday morning for 7.45am. We travel to the centre by mini bus and will then spend the next four days collecting data for their fieldwork and case studies for Unit 3. Details of the accommodation, facilities and an equipment list can be found on the information sheets attached. We will return to school at approximately 5pm on Monday evening. All meals are provided apart from lunch on Friday. Pupils should bring a packed lunch with them.

The cost of the fieldtrip is **£228** with cheques made payable to 'Richard Challoner School Fund'. The balance can be paid either as a whole amount or, if it is easier, in separate payments. For all pupils who are planning to study Geography next year, a **deposit of £50 is required before Friday 24th June** with the **full balance paid before Friday 16th September**. If your son/daughter does not continue with A2 Geography next year as a result of the AS exam results this deposit will be refundable. If you have any concerns regarding the payment or any other matter, please feel free to contact me through the school office.

Please hand the deposit and completed reply slip with relevant medical notes such as allergies, medication etc. to the cash office.

This is always an extremely beneficial experience for the students in many ways and I thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Bromley
Head of Geography
Richard Challoner School

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I give permission for..... to participate on the above mentioned trip. Enclosed is an initial deposit of £.....

(I have included details of relevant medical conditions on a separate sheet)

Parent's signature.....