



ST. AIDAN'S

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

September 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 11 Geography GCSE Fieldwork to the Holderness Coast (Hornsea and Flamborough Head) Thursday 21 September 2023

On Thursday 21 September 2023, our Year 11 Geographers will be undertaking the second of their Geography fieldwork days on the Holderness Coast. The fieldwork undertaken is essential for students who are studying GCSE Geography as they will sit an exam on the work they do in the field.

Pupils will depart after registration and travel to and from the Holderness Coast by coach. Students will visit the seaside town of Hornsea where they will complete a fieldwork booklet. They will also travel to Flamborough Head to support the work they have done in class on coastal landforms and processes. Students will work in small groups around Hornsea on a variety of tasks and although staff will be checking in on students, and in close proximity, they will not be directly supervised at times. Pupils will know how and where to always contact a member of staff.

Pupils must wear sensible outdoor clothes as the day is entirely spent outdoors in some exposed locations. This includes trousers (not jeans) and sturdy shoes (PE trainers, wellies or walking boots). A warm jumper and waterproof jacket are essential. Waterproof trousers, a hat and gloves are also recommended. Students can always leave spare clothes on the coach if the weather is better than expected.

Students **must** bring a packed lunch. There may be an opportunity, depending on time restraints, to buy a snack or a drink and students are invited to bring a small amount of money to account for this if they wish. However, they are encouraged to bring enough in their packed lunch to sustain them and plenty of water.

Please note, we will not return to school until approximately 17:30.

The cost for the trip is £12.00. Payment is via **ParentPay** and the trip is now showing on your account. By making payment you are giving consent for your child to attend, agreeing to the cost, and confirming that the medical records we hold at school are correct.

The deadline for this payment and consent is Monday 18 September 2023.

If your son/daughter's medical details indicate that they need medication such as inhalers or antihistamines, please ensure that they bring them on the trip, otherwise we will be unable to take them. If they no longer require this medication, please advise school in advance.

School trips form an important part of the curriculum offered at St Aidan's. Outdoor learning provides wonderful opportunities to build on essential skills that help children grow into confident, independent, and successful adults.

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Excellent behaviour in school is a prerequisite of attendance as students are being trusted to represent themselves and us in the best possible manner.

When accompanying children on a school trip, staff are acting in '*loco parentis*' just as they do in school. However, trips away from the normal school environment involve considering different routines and environments, which demand that pupils can show an increased level of responsibility and maturity. Please help us by reinforcing to your child our expectations on behaviour in order that every child can gain the maximum out of the trip.

Kind regards

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