

27 May 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

Geography Fieldwork Trip: Educational visit to Barton-on-Sea

Your child is invited to participate in a Geography fieldwork trip planned for **Monday 14th June 2021**. We will travel by coach to Barton-on-Sea to investigate coastal processes and human defences against coastal erosion. Your child will learn about fieldwork practices and have a chance to practise these techniques in a unique practical environment. This forms a mandatory part of the Geography GCSE course and is vital to reinforce their learning about the Coasts module of the course. The itinerary is as follows:

- 9am Depart Leaf Studio
- 10am Arrive at Barton-on-Sea and begin fieldwork activities
- 12pm Lunch and then drive to Hurst Spit
- 1pm Arrive at Hurst Spit and carry out fieldwork activities
- 2pm Back on coach and travel back to Leaf Studio

The timings of the trip are intended to run within the school day so all pupils will be able to make their way to school and home in the normal way. Students are **not** required to wear school uniform. All students should dress according to the weather and should wear comfortable shoes for walking on a stony beach. We will not be swimming or going into the sea. **The trip will go ahead even in the event of rain so students will need to plan and dress accordingly.** All students will need to bring a packed lunch for the trip. There will not be opportunities for students to buy any food or drink so they will also need to bring enough to drink for the whole day. If your child is in receipt of free school meals then the school will provide a packed lunch for them, please indicate this on the form overleaf.

In order to cover the cost of coach travel we are asking for a one-time contribution of £7 which can be paid via Parent Pay. Unfortunately, we are not able to accept cash payments at the moment due to ongoing Covid restrictions. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding then the school will cover the cost of coach travel for your child.

Please read the following behaviour agreement and fill in the attached medical questionnaire – please ensure these are returned directly to Mr. Olson. In order for the above trip to run smoothly and for all pupils to enjoy it, I would like you to read the following with your child. Both of you should agree to follow the guidelines, if there are any points you would like to question before signing, please contact me to discuss them.



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Students will:

- Respond to all staff in the same manner as to their school staff
- Respect one another and treat others as they would hope to be treated
- Agree to meet at a designated area at certain times during the visit
- Agree to wear a seat belt at all times when travelling on the coach
- Agree to comply with staff requests and obey rules/staff at the site being visited
- Take part in all of the activities, unless there is a medical reason to prevent them from doing so
- Follow all rules as explained both before the visit and on arrival
- Respect all property and equipment

Students will not:

- Sit in seats other than those directed when travelling by minibus or coach
- Be allowed to smoke, vape or to drink alcohol
- Use any equipment or try any activity without the supervision of staff

I hope you will realise that this is 'common sense' behaviour, although when written down these restrictions may sound like strict laws. If a child is seen to breach the agreed conduct, he/she may be sent home at your expense or prevented from attending any future trips.

Yours sincerely

Mr E Olson

Reply Slip

Student Name.....

I have read the guidelines on expected behaviour and the possible consequences of not following them. I agree to uphold those guidelines whilst on the trip.

Signed: (Student)

Date:

I give permission for my child to attend the Geography Field Trip. I have talked to my child about the agreed conduct and agree that he/she should follow it. I am also aware of the consequences should my child breach those guidelines.

My child is in receipt of free school meals and I would like them to have a packed lunch provided on this day.

Signed: (Parent/Guardian) Date:

Emergency Contact Details:

Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Medical Conditions: _____

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