

Dear Parents and Carers,

Geography GCSE Fieldtrip to Perlethorpe Education centre

Following recent government guidance, I am delighted to finally be allowed to run a fieldwork trip for year 11 geographers, whilst not mandatory it is an important way of learning fieldwork techniques for exam paper 3, and an essential part of geography to experience a fieldtrip, something our students have yet to experience.

The trip to Perlethorpe Education Centre, Newark, Nottinghamshire will take place **on Thursday 14th October** during school hours. Students will travel to the centre by coach, leaving school **at 8.45 and returning for 3.30**. The cost of this trip is **£15** which covers travel, expert tuition, field work booklets and insurance. During the morning students will be studying a river ecosystem and taking measurements of the river Meden's channel. Later in the afternoon they will study a grassland ecosystem and use sampling techniques.

Students are not required to wear school uniform but should wear comfortable clothing appropriate for a fieldwork activity (please check the weather forecast):

- Wellies or shoes that can get wet for the river study
- Sturdy shoes or boots
- A waterproof coat/jacket
- Warm clothing as they will be outside all day (hat, scarf etc)
- Spare clothes in case they get wet
- Camera/phone for capturing images of the day to use back in the classroom for annotating.
- Pen and pencil.
- Packed lunch, drinks and snacks (there is nowhere to purchase anything).

To secure a place on the trip, please make a payment online via parent pay by Monday 11th October. This is also how you will provide consent for your child to attend. In preparation for the trip we will be using the medical and emergency contact information we currently hold on file. If this has been recently changed or there is additional information you would like to provide, please get in touch via email at contact@suthersschool.co.uk. Please note that if your child is eligible for Pupil Premium or Pupil Premium Plus, their place on the trip will be funded by the school but you are still required to give consent. The itinerary of the day will be available nearer the date.

If you have any questions or queries please get in touch via rhumber@suthersschool.co.uk.

Yours faithfully

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