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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 12 A Level Geography residential trip – Friday 20 – Monday 23 May 2022

Following the success of this trip last year, we are pleased to offer this again to our Year 12 A Level Geography students. There is a requirement for each student to complete four days of fieldwork and this residential trip will combine all four days together.

We will travel to the Field Studies Centre at Flatford Mill in Colchester, on the Friday morning and travel by school mini bus to the venue, returning late on the Monday afternoon. Exact timings and content will be advised nearer the date of travel.

Unfortunately, due to the impact fieldwork has on each student's timetable, we will not be unable to run the trip if any student is unable to attend. In the event that a student is self-isolating at the time the fieldtrip is due to take place, we may be required to cancel the trip if we are unable to change the dates.

The cost of this trip is £310 per student and includes accommodation, all meals on site, travel costs and course content. Students will require additional funds for extras (such as en-route refreshments/incidentals/etc.). To enable us to keep costs to a minimum, this trip is being partnered with LVS Ascot.

To book your child's place, we require the following payments to be made via your child's sQuid account:

£100 deposit (non-refundable) by Friday 11 February 2022 £210 balance by Friday 8 April 2022

Please note that each payment can be made at any time, but must be paid by the date stated.

Further details on this trip will be available closer to the date of travel. However, if you have any questions or queries in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr Keating

Learning Leader: Geography

Whilst the future continues to hold risk with regards to the Covid-19 pandemic, and whilst we can provide no absolute guarantee at this stage in today's circumstances that this trip will go ahead, we are making this offer under Government, Department of Education and our insurers guidelines. Any costs incurred with regard to PCR tests or any other costs relating to Covid-19 tests etc. or regulations that may be in place at the time of the trip, are to be met fully by parents/carers and, if required, will be in addition to the price quoted.

Please note:

Places on all trips are subject to the school expectations for the Behaviour Policy being met. Any student who receives a suspension may have their place withdrawn from the trip and no refund will be made unless the place can be resold. In addition, if the school assesses that the attendance on a trip is a Health and Safety risk to the student or to others, a place will not be allocated to that student or a place will be withdrawn and there will be no refund made unless the place can be resold.

- Should your child be unable to attend a trip due to medical reasons, we will require a Medical Certificate to apply for an insurance claim.
- If the trip is cancelled due to uncontrollable circumstances i.e. weather, Foreign/Home Office guidance, the refunding of costs will be subject to insurance cover.
- This trip is run via travel company: FSC
 To enable your child to attend the trip, we will be sharing your child's personal data with the travel company and any partners of the travel company that are required for the running of the contract (e.g. airlines, hotels, etc.).
- Payments are to be made by the dates specified. Late or non-payment may result in your child's place being withdrawn from the trip. If you choose to withdraw your child for reasons not stated above, any costs attributed to date, must still be made.
- Should the school need to contact you in an emergency, we will use contact details supplied on your most recent OA4 Form (off-site activity form). If there are any changes to the details on this form, including any medical or dietary requirements, it is the parent/carer responsibility to inform the school.
- There will be no insurance cover due to disinclination to travel.