



8th February 2024

Dear Parent/ Carer

Re: GCSE Geography Field Trip

As part of the AQA GCSE Geography course students must participate in practical fieldwork. This fieldtrip is integral to the GCSE Geography curriculum and will give students the opportunity to engage in physical (beach profiling, erosion, longshore drift) and human (tourism, regeneration) inquiries. The activities planned during the trip align closely with the curriculum and will enhance students' understanding of geographical concepts.

As this is a compulsory element of the course, **no payment is required**. Failing to attend this part of the course could result in pupils not sitting any GCSE Geography examinations.

Visit Destination: Skegness
Departure Date: 11/07/2024
Departure Time from School: 07:30 (register in the Refectory 07:15)
Return Date: 11/07/2024
Approx. Return Time to School: 16:00

Included within the Cost:

- Return transport from school to the destination.

The following will be required for the visit:

- Packed lunch (if your child is eligible for free school meals, a packed lunch will be provided).
- Students are to be in non-school uniform – as pupils will be outside for most of the day sensible footwear/clothing should be worn, considering weather conditions predicted for the day. This should include a waterproof jacket.
- Pen and pencil

I would like to bring the following points to your attention:

- It is parents'/ carers' responsibility to ensure students are at school before the departure time and to collect students from school at the return time. Please email me if you give permission for your child to walk home from school. rkennedy@suthersschool.co.uk

Attendance on all trips is subject to satisfactory behaviour and meeting all other school expectations. Failure to do so may result in the offer of a place being withdrawn. By consenting to your child taking part in this trip you are also agreeing to these terms and the terms of the Code of Behaviour set out below:

Code of Behaviour

Throughout the trip, students are expected to behave in a way which conforms with school ethos and Trust standards.

- Students should represent the school and Trust with respect and good behaviour.
- Students' behaviour should never compromise the safety of individuals, the group, or themselves.
- If a student's behaviour fails to meet these expectations, the following steps will be put into place:
- The students will be warned about their behaviour by a staff member. That staff member will raise awareness of the behaviour and warning to the Trip Lead.
- If the student's behaviour does not improve, the Trip Lead will issue a second warning to the student. It will be explained that on a third warning the student will be removed from the activity.
- If a third warning is issued, the Trip Lead will remove the student from the activity and parents will be phoned to explain the three warnings and removal from the activity. Continued poor behaviour from here could result in the student being removed from activities for the remainder of the trip or, if appropriate, sent home.
- If a student's behaviour at any point puts the individual or group at risk, it is at the Trip Lead's discretion to remove them from activities included in the trip immediately or, if appropriate, sent home.
- As the above trip returns after the end of the school day, please acknowledge, and give your consent via ParentPay by no later than Thursday 27 March 2024. PLEASE NOTE: Our expected return to school provides pupils the opportunity of catching the 4pm bus.
- If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email myself: rkennedy@suthersschool.co.uk

To allow your child to go on this field trip please go to your ParentPay account to give consent.

Yours sincerely



Mr Rob Kennedy
Head of Geography