



January 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 GCSE Geography Field Trip to Menston

We are taking all Year 10 Geography students on a compulsory field trip to Menston. Students will complete an investigation into how suitable the village is for a housing development as part of their GCSE controlled assessment (coursework) and will collect data using a variety of techniques.

The dates and times for the class trips are as follows:

Monday 8 February 2016:

Mrs Varley's class (10L) – 8.50am – 11.50am & Mr McDonald's class (10T) 12.00pm – 15.00pm

Wednesday 10 February 2016:

Mrs Russell's class (10A) – 8.50am – 11.50am & Mr Trusselle's class (10S) 12.00pm – 15.00pm

Students will register in Café Beans at the usual registration time of 8.50am if they are in the morning groups. If your child is in the afternoon group, they will need to bring a packed lunch (school will provide one for any student on Free School Meals). It is important that every student attends on the allocated day and time as this corresponds with the correct number of minibus seats available.

It is vital that your child attends this compulsory field trip as they will find the controlled assessment (worth 25% of their GCSE grade) significantly harder without visiting the places and collecting primary data. For the majority of the field visit we will be working outside so it is important that your child **brings a coat or waterproof** with them on the day. Students should also bring a camera or camera phone with them in order to take photos that they will use in their coursework. Students have permission to be in non-school uniform for the entire school day.

Following the fieldtrip, students will spend several weeks writing up their investigation in lesson time. If your student is absent for a lesson they will be required to catch up on the lesson missed with a Geography teacher in controlled assessment conditions. A high attendance record during this time will inevitably give an advantage to gaining a good grade in this coursework.

Please return the reply slip below to Student Services no later than **Wednesday 20 January**.

Yours sincerely

Mr A McDonald
Leader of Geography

REPLY SLIP

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Student:

Form:

I give permission for my son/daughter to attend the GCSE Geography fieldtrip to Menston on either Monday 8 February or Wednesday 10 February 2016.

Signed: (Parent/Carer)

Date:

Please return reply slip to Student Services no later than Wednesday 20 January

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