

6 June 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians

Year 11 GCSE Geography field trip to Bristol – Tuesday 9 October 2018 (8.45am-6.30pm)

As part of the GCSE Geography course, students are required to complete two pieces of fieldwork; they need to collect and analyse data and then evaluate their findings. Students will be asked questions about this as part of a GCSE exam paper at the end of their course (Paper 3 which is worth 30% of the final grade). Students completed a piece of physical geography fieldwork (River Pang visit) in Year 9 but they also need to complete a piece of human geography fieldwork for their GCSE and so we are planning a trip to Bristol where students will investigate the impact of urban regeneration in the city centre. The trip will include a one hour boat trip around the docks.

We will travel by coach, departing from Gillotts School at 8.45am and returning by 6.30pm. Students will not be required to wear school uniform but should wear suitable clothing, including footwear and will need to bring a packed lunch. Please note, we will not return in time to meet the school buses and so arrangements may need to be made for your child to be collected from school at 6.30pm.

The cost of the trip has been calculated on the basis that each student taking part is prepared to make a voluntary contribution of £30. If insufficient voluntary contributions are received, the trip will not be able to run. The cost covers travel, staff cover, the boat trip, fieldwork equipment and insurance.

If appropriate, application can be made to Henley Educational Trust (HET) for help with the cost of this trip – if you wish to make an application, please send a £5 deposit with your reply, contact the finance office by Monday 25 June to enquire about HET support and note this on the reply slip below. Please do not delay in responding by the deadline whilst you are waiting to hear from HET or your child may miss out.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part, please complete and return the attached permission slip along with payment of £30 - cheques should be made payable to 'Gillotts School' with your child's name and tutor group on the reverse. Please also complete and return the attached Consent and Information form. These should all be returned in a sealed envelope to Student Services by Friday 6 July.

Yours faithfully



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REPLY SLIP

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Please return to Student Services by Friday 6 July.

I give permission for my son/daughter _____ Tutor
group _____ to take part in the Geography field trip to Bristol on Tuesday 9 October 2018.

I enclose cash/cheque for £30.

OR (please delete as appropriate)

I enclose £5 and have contacted the Finance Office to enquire about financial support from HET.

I confirm my child can walk home or I will make arrangements for my child to be collected from school at 6.30

Signed _____ (parent/guardian)

Print name _____

Date _____