

12 September 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians

**GCSE GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP – FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2019 12.30PM – SUNDAY
22 SEPTEMBER 2019 7.00PM**

As part of their GCSE Geography course, students are required to complete two pieces of fieldwork; they need to collect and analyse data and 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). We believe the best way to complete this fieldwork successfully is by organising a residential trip which means students can focus on all aspects of the fieldwork process in a short period of time and can complete all the preparation required for this paper in one go.

The field trip we have organised is at PGL Osmington Bay, near Weymouth, from Friday through to Sunday and students will be provided with two night's accommodation at the centre as well as all their meals. We will return to school on Sunday at approximately 7pm. Students will then spend a day off timetable on Monday 23 September 2019 when they complete the follow-up work using the data which they have collected on the trip.

The trip will only be able to run if all taking part are willing to make a voluntary contribution of £192 which covers the cost of transport, field work equipment, meals, accommodation, insurance, trips to Weymouth, cover and photocopying. We reserve the right to cancel the trip if insufficient funds are received to cover the costs; in such circumstances, all monies paid would be refunded.

If you should like your son/daughter to take part, please return the permission slip and your initial deposit of £50, which we require to secure the accommodation, by Monday 1 October 2018; the balance will be payable at a later date. Cheques should be made payable to Gillotts School and handed into Student Services in an envelope marked with your son/daughter's name and 'Osmington Bay 2019' on the front. If the trip goes ahead, the deposit will be non-refundable once a place is allocated to your son/daughter. I will send out a further letter to confirm the trip is going ahead and the payment schedule for the balance.

If you have any questions about the trip, please contact me via e-mail: enewbold@gillotts.org.uk If there are any difficulties in making payment, please contact the finance office who will be able to advise on possible assistance available through Henley Educational Trust or with an individual staged payment plan. It is vital you contact the finance office to discuss this by Wednesday 26 September 2018 please.

Yours faithfully



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Reply Slip

GCSE Geography Field Trip to Osmington Bay Sept 2019

To be returned to Student Services by Monday 1 October 2018.

I wish my son/daughter to take part in the trip

I enclose payment of £50.00 for the deposit, (cheques made payable to GILLOTTS SCHOOL).

OR (please delete as appropriate)

I enclose payment of £50.00 for the deposit, (cheques made payable to GILLOTTS SCHOOL) and have contacted the finance office to enquire about financial assistance for the balance.

I understand that once a place has been confirmed, this deposit is non-refundable in the event of withdrawal for a non-insurable reason. I confirm I am willing to pay the balance of this trip or that I will contact the finance office before Wednesday 26 September to enquire about possible financial assistance through Henley Educational Trust or setting up an individual payment schedule.

Name of student: _____ Tutor Group.....

Signature of parent/guardian.....

Print name

Please provide an email address we can use to communicate with you about this trip.

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