



12 September 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 9 Geography Fieldtrip to the River Pang - October 2019

Year 9 geography students will be taking part in a fieldtrip during Term 1 as part of their rivers topic. This will involve a half-day trip to the River Pang which flows from Compton in the Berkshire Downs to where it joins the River Thames at Pangbourne. During this trip they will be collecting a range of fieldwork data including river velocity, depth and width.

The trip will take place on the following date and your child should know which class they are in:

Geography Class	Date of Trip
9x1	Tuesday 22 nd October (morning)
9x2	Tuesday 22 nd October (afternoon)
9x3	Wednesday 23 rd October (morning)
9y1	Wednesday 23 rd October (afternoon)
9y2	Thursday 24 th October (morning)
9y3	Thursday 24 th October (afternoon)

The morning trips will be leaving the school at 8.45am, travelling to the River Pang by minibus, and returning at 12.15pm. The afternoon groups will be leaving the school at 12.30pm and returning at 3.25pm in time to catch the buses.

Students will not be expected to wear school uniform for the trip. The students will spend all their time outside and should ensure that they wear appropriate clothing (including bringing waterproofs). As they will be going into the river (which is below welly height in depth) they should bring wellington boots if they have them or an old pair of trainers. They should also bring another pair of shoes to change into at the end of the trip.

The cost of the trip has been calculated on the basis that each student taking part is prepared to make a voluntary contribution of £12. If insufficient voluntary contributions are received, the trip will not be able to run. The cost covers travel, cover, fieldwork equipment and insurance.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part, this trip is now available on Scopay. Please provide consent and payment by Friday 20 September 2019. 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 consent on Scopay and pay just £5 (HET do like families to make a contribution) and contact the finance office before Friday 27 September to enquire about help from HET. Please do not delay in responding by the deadline whilst you are waiting to hear from HET or you may miss out.

Yours faithfully

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