

27 September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Geography Field Trip to Swanage on Thursday 10 October 2024
11As and 11C classes**

I am writing regarding your son/daughter's GCSE Geography fieldtrip to Swanage on **Thursday 10 October 2024**. The purpose of this trip is to study the coastal processes and management strategies in Swanage Bay. As the fieldwork we do on the day is examined in the GCSE paper 3 exam, we expect 100% attendance on this trip.

After registering in H-block at 8.45am, we will travel by coach and return to college at approximately 4.30pm. Therefore, if students usually travel home by bus, please make alternative arrangements.

Students should bring along the following items: A packed lunch (there may be an opportunity to purchase lunch at a beach café, but this is not guaranteed to be open), sturdy footwear with a good grip, a rain jacket (and waterproof trousers if it's forecast to be wet!), a clip board (we can provide if necessary), a fully equipped pencil case and a water bottle.

The visit will be covered by the normal Somerset Education Insurance Policy. Please be aware that:

- Except for visits abroad insurance arrangements are the same as for pupils in school, i.e. that the Authority only provides cover against proven or agreed negligence by the Authority and its employees.
- You should consider making your own insurance arrangements for personal accident cover for your son/daughter for school activities in the UK.

We are asking for a contribution of £22.65 per student to cover the cost of transport by coach to/from Swanage, and the necessary insurance required. Payment for this trip should be made before the **deadline of Monday 7 October**. By making your payment by ParentPay please be aware this is also used as acceptance of your parental consent and that you are satisfied with the arrangements outlined above. Please also provide up to date emergency contact details and medical information when prompted on ParentPay.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals and you would like to request the possibility of some financial support for this trip, please mail me at the following email address, jhaines@fromecollege.org.uk **by Wednesday 2 October**. We will not be able to accept requests for funding after this date. If your child receives free school meals, please let me know by email so that I can arrange for a packed lunch from the school canteen to be provided.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by e-mail at jhaines@fromecollege.org.uk if you require any further information.

Yours Sincerely



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