

1 May 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

**Geography Fieldwork Trip –Monday 1 July 2019 (09F/Gg1, 09F/Gg2 and part 09D/Gg1)**

The Geography and Science Departments have organised a joint field trip for Year 9 students as part of their GCSE. The cohort will be split across two days; 09F/Gg1, 09F/Gg2 and part 09D/Gg1 will attend the day trip on Monday 1 July 2019.

We will be visiting Westerham, Eynsford, Horton Kirby and Erith.

The aim of the field trip is aid students in their understanding of river landscapes which is a section in their Unit 1 exam. They will get into the river to measure different variables such as river width, depth and river load. This will be at 3 of the sites except Erith due to deep waters. They will also get to undertake a variety of sampling techniques to collect data for later use in Science lessons. This will enable students to meet one of their required practicals for their Science GCSE's.

Students will need to bring along a packed lunch, money can be brought to buy from one of the village shops in Eynsford but these may not have anything suitable to eat. Own clothes should be worn but should be suitable for a field trip, NO hot-pants or belly tops. Wellington boots or suitable footwear that can get wet must be brought. The coach company will not allow anyone with wet clothes on the coach so please bring a change of clothes and additional footwear along with a strong carrier bag for any wet clothes/footwear.

We will be meeting at Wilmington Academy at 8.40am to travel by coach to the different locations and will return by 3.00pm in time for students to catch school buses or other modes of transport home. The cost of the trip is £12.00 and payment can be made via your child's ParentPay account. If you need a barcoded letter to pay by cash then please contact your child's college admin. You will be able to find this trip on your Parentpay account as: Year 9 Geography Trip to the River Darent 1/07/19.

Please complete and return the attached consent form by Friday 23 May 2019

Yours faithfully



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