



Brine Leas Sixth Form

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20th September 2018

TO: PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF A LEVEL GEOGRAPHY STUDENTS

Dear Parent/Guardian

Geography Fieldtrip - October 2018

I would like to take this opportunity to provide further information about expectations during the forthcoming Geography fieldtrip, a brief outline of what the students will do out in the field and the kit they will require.

The fieldtrip is scheduled to take place from Monday 22nd to Thursday 25th October 2018. Students need to arrive at BL6 by 7:15am on the Monday and are expected to arrive back on the Thursday at approximately 4:00pm, depending on traffic; students who use the school bus services will need to arrange alternative transport home on this day. Please be aware that even though this is Curriculum Enrichment Week, there will be some subject teaching taking place at BL6; therefore, students are expected to speak to all their other teachers and ensure they catch up on any work they may miss whilst on the fieldtrip.

During the fieldtrip, students will spend time in various locations, allowing them to collect data which will form the basis of their NEA Geography coursework; this is worth 20% of their final grade. Students will spend two days in and around Snowdonia National Park collecting data on the impacts glaciers had during the last Ice Age on the physical landscape. They will spend a further two days in Llandudno collecting data on the impacts of urbanisation, clone towns and social inequalities. Time will also be spent working on their coursework during the evenings back at the hostel. The data that is collected and the work they complete will help to form the basis of their course on their return to BL6.

For the duration of the fieldtrip, students will be staying at the YHA Snowdon Llanberis; the hostel is specifically designed to support GCSE and A-Level Geography groups and contains classroom environments, is fully catered and has local experts on hand for the duration of the stay. Students will be staying in same sex dorms for the duration of the stay with both BL6 and hostel staff available to them twenty four hours a day.

Students are reminded that they are ambassadors of BL6 and therefore normal codes of conduct must be followed at all times. Any student who does not comply will be dealt with upon return, in line with the BL6 Behavioural Policy; in extreme circumstances, students may be removed from the fieldtrip.

Finally I would like to provide you with a suggested kit list for the duration of the fieldtrip; please see overleaf for details. Please be aware that any personal belongings that the students take, i.e. mobile phones, tablets and money, are the responsibility of the student and staff cannot be held responsible for these personal items.

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Suggested kit list:

- Towels
- Toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, shower gel, deodorant etc.)
- Medication (please make staff aware if they need to be responsible for a student's medication)
- Pencil case and lined paper, pad or note book
- Sleepwear
- Underwear
- Thick and thin socks
- Waterproof coat or jacket (with a hood)
- Hoodies
- Jumpers
- T-Shirts
- Jogging bottoms
- Jeans
- Waterproof trousers
- Walking boots
- Trainers (with good grip)
- Wellington Boots

Please be aware that as we have to fit all luggage for both staff and students, together with the fieldwork equipment, onto the coach, cases should be as small as possible.

If you require any additional information or have any queries, please contact myself via the main school reception on 01270 625663 or via email: Samantha.bates@brineleas.co.uk

Yours faithfully

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