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Dear Parents

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Year 10 Geography Field Study Visit: Carding Mill Valley

As part of the GCSE Geography course, students must undertake field work. All students must complete two Geographical investigations in order to meet exam board requirements. These skills will be examined as part of Component 2: UK Geographical Issues at the end of the course.

Arrangements have been made for a field visit for the Year 10 geographers to Carding Mill Valley, Shropshire. Each group will attend on a different day:

Tuesday 20th March

10Q and 10S

Wednesday 21st March:

10P and 10R

The proposed visit has two main purposes:

- 1. To give students the opportunity to explore "River Processes and Pressures" that they have studied in the classroom.
- 2. To learn field work techniques in preparation for the Geography GCSE exam.

We are planning to leave school at 8.30am and travel by coach to Carding Mill Valley. The day will be spent gathering data within the river valley. The coach will return to school at about 5pm. Your daughter will require a packed lunch and drinks for the day, warm and waterproof clothing, wellington boots or hiking boots. All fieldwork equipment will be provided.

Visits are dependent on the generosity of parents making a contribution towards the cost, which in this case is £10.50. Payment and consent should be made via ParentPay. When you pay for the trip on ParentPay you will be required to tick the box to give consent for your daughter to join the trip. You will also need to fill in the notes section with an emergency contact number, and details of any medical conditions of which we should be aware. If you are unable to use ParentPay please contact Mrs Kennedy, our finance officer. The overall cost of the trip has been calculated using current prices and in good faith to cover the anticipated costs. In the event of a surplus after all costs have been met, the amount will generally be transferred into School Fund to benefit the girls' learning.

All school trips are subject to the school's Code of Conduct, which please bring to your daughter's attention. A copy of the school's Code of Conduct can be found on the school's website, Parents and Students tab, select Trips and Visits.

The deadline for payment and consent is Friday 9th February 2018. Failure to meet this deadline will cause extra unnecessary admin work and therefore your co-operation would be appreciated.

It is also essential that the school has the most up to date medical information about your daughter and that she carries with her any medication she may require during the day. School staff are not allowed to administer medication.

We hope you will find this is a relevant educational opportunity for your daughter. If you have any queries, please contact the school.

Yours sincerely

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