



14 September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of the geography GCSE course all students must carry out fieldwork for examination paper three, which is worth 30% of the final GCSE grade. To enable students to carry out primary data collection, I have organised a field trip to the Sefton coastline, to take place on **20<sup>th</sup> September 2023**.

We will leave school at **9.00 a.m.** by coach, and return at **2.45 p.m.** During the trip we will visit two different locations along the Sefton coastline to look at the processes of sand dune succession. During the visit pupils will collect data for the compulsory fieldwork aspect of paper three, which must include a human geography fieldtrip. This information will then be used to complete a fieldwork write-up which will be the homework project.

In order to run this visit, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£5.00** per pupil which covers the cost of transport. If you are unable to make this contribution, please contact school as soon as possible. It is worth noting that if insufficient voluntary contributions are raised to fund the visit then it may have to be cancelled.

Pupils do not have to wear school uniform on the day of the visit. They will need to wear suitable clothing\* for walking in changeable weather conditions. The following items will be required:

- warm & waterproof coat & strong shoes
- packed lunch
- pen and pencil
- small amount of money (optional, for soft drinks/snacks/food)
- sun cream / hat in the event of hot weather

*\*please note that jeans are not suitable on a wet day, neither are trainers, canvas pumps, skirts or shorts. Revealing clothing, such as cropped or low-cut tops, those with offensive logos and football kits are also inappropriate.*

I cannot emphasise enough the value of this visit. If your child does not attend this visit it will be their responsibility to collect the primary data required for the fieldwork aspect of paper three as an alternative visit will not be offered. In my experience, students who do not attend often do not achieve their target grade on this aspect of the course. This can result in a drop of at least one grade in the final exam.

Yours sincerely,

*C Loftus*

**Mrs Loftus, Assistant Headteacher**

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Please return to Mrs Loftus-McGinty

### Year 11 Geography trip: Sefton Coastline

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

1. I would like my child to attend the trip to The Sefton coastline
2. My child receives free school meals and will require a packed lunch

Parent/Carer signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_



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