



May 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of the A level Geography course, students are required to undertake fieldwork activities in preparation for the Non Examined Assessment, which is a piece of coursework worth 20%.

In order to give them the best opportunities in which to complete this coursework, we will be taking the current Year 12 geography group to Liverpool to allow students to participate in primary data collection, as well as to consolidate understanding of coastal landforms and processes and regenerating places. Whilst on the trip we will be carrying out fieldwork at various places within the city, and at Ainsdale dunes where students will be able to complete their physical geography data collection. This will allow students to choose an appropriate title for the NEA and complete their data collection, as well as write up part of their coursework.

We will be leaving school on Wednesday 30 September 2026 at approximately 8.45am and will be returning on Friday 2 October 2026 at approximately 4.00pm (times will be confirmed in due course). We will be staying at the Youth Hostel at Albert Dock in ensuite rooms. All food is included for the duration of our stay at the accommodation or in the local area. However, students will need to bring a packed lunch for the first day. They might also want to bring some money to buy food on the Friday whilst we are travelling home in the afternoon. **Please be aware that we have students who may be participating in this trip who have a serious nut allergy. Please avoid giving your child bagged nuts or products with a nut content, as even the smell can cause these students anxiety.**

As the weather will probably be very unpredictable, students need to ensure that they have the correct clothing for the trip. They will need a waterproof coat and trousers, trainers, several layers of clothing and sun cream and sun hat if required. Students will need to bring a towel and toiletries and a change of clothes to wear at the Youth Hostel. Bedding is provided. They will be working in the evenings in the Youth Hostel so that we can make the most of our time to work on the coursework.

The cost of the trip is **£160** which includes transport, accommodation and food. **The full cost of this trip will be non-refundable.**

A deposit payment of **£60 is due by Monday 1 June.** Please pay via ParentPay.

The remaining balance of **£100 will need to be paid by 1 July.**

Whilst we endeavour to accurately forecast the cost of trips, in the unlikely event that costs fluctuate and result in a surplus remaining at the end of any trip, details of this and any right to refund will be communicated with you at the end of the trip.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding the trip.

Yours sincerely

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