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Dear Parents / Carers,

Y10 PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY GCSE FIELD TRIP - LEWES

As part of the curriculum requirements for the GCSE Geography fieldwork, I am pleased to provide you with updated information about the Physical Geography trips scheduled for **11th, 14th, 19th and 22nd May 2026**.

This trip is a curriculum requirement; it is an expectation that all Y10 Geography students attend. Students will be required to work collaboratively in small groups in the classroom before and after each field trip. It is also important to note that we must be able to trust students who go on trips to behave and to follow instructions for the safety and well-being of all students and staff. If any member of the Geography Department or senior staff feels that a student is unreliable in any way, then we reserve the right to refuse them the opportunity to attend.

The field trip for your child will be on the following date:

Monday 11th May 10B (Mr Thorpe's class)

Thursday 14th May 10C (Ms Weir's class)

Tuesday 19th May 10D (Ms Spenner's class)

Friday 22nd May 10A (Ms Weir's class)

On the date of their trip, students should arrive at school at the normal time. We will meet in the hall at 9am after tutor time and travel to Lewes by minibus. Students will have lunch and collect a range of primary data along the river. We expect that students will return to school and be dismissed by 2.45pm-3pm.

There are shops and cafes in Lewes but students will not be allowed to visit these until lunchtime. Students should bring a packed lunch or snacks with them but we understand that some may want to buy food in Lewes also. In the afternoon students will have lunch and conduct questionnaires. Staff will be positioned in the centre of Lewes and will be close by when these are being completed. Once this section of the fieldwork is complete, we will visit our last site along the River Ouse and return home.

We will be spending several hours in an exposed environment. Please help us to keep your child happy and healthy by making sure they come to school fully prepared. We hope the weather will be nice but students have to be prepared for unexpected weather conditions. On the day of their trip **students are not expected**



to wear school uniform. They should wear clothing which is suitable for geography fieldwork in potentially inclement weather, with suitable footwear and coat.

They should wear/bring:

- weather appropriate clothes. Leggings or tracksuit bottoms with a T-shirt and jumper would be ideal.
- trainers or walking boots would be best as we are walking to lots of different sites (we are not expecting to get our feet wet, but waterproof footwear in the event of rain would be sensible).
- a waterproof coat.
- suncream and hat.
- a fully charged mobile phone with credit (if they possess a mobile phone).
- a packed lunch and drink. Please also remember that we are a 'no nut' school and that students should not bring anything containing nuts or sesame seeds in their packed lunches.
- their pencil case which should include – pens, pencils, a pencil sharpener and a rubber.
- Students who require medication, such as asthma inhalers, should ensure they bring these with them.

We would be very grateful if on the morning of the trip, you could remind your child to act maturely and cooperatively on the trip. We will have spoken about this at length in class and will also remind students on the day.

There is a financial contribution of £6.75 for this trip payable on ParentPay. **Please go ParentPay to complete the relevant information for your child to attend the trip by Sunday 26th April.** If your child is in receipt of free school meals or you are struggling financially, you may be eligible for a financial contribution towards the cost. Please email finance@kingsschoolhove.org.uk to discuss in confidence. You may also want to indicate on ParentPay, if your child receives free school meals, whether they would like a packed lunch provided by the school.

If you have any queries, please contact me at the school.

Thank you for your support. We are looking forward to another great day in our local environment.

Kind regards,

Ms P Weir
Head of Geography