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Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers,

## YEAR 11 GCSE GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIPS – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022

As part of the Geography GCSE course there is a requirement for students to participate in two different fieldwork activities. The knowledge and skills gained from these visits will form an important part of one of the final summer examinations - Paper 3 'Geographical Applications'. The fieldwork will also help students to better understand the geographical concepts we have studied in our coastal landscapes and urban units. We have, therefore, organised two fieldwork days as follows:

### Day 1 – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October

A study of how coastal engineering influences coastal processes at Lyme Regis. We will carry out some data collection on the beach and in other locations around Lyme Regis. This will be in a supervised group led by Beaminster teaching staff.

### Day 2 – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October

An investigation to see how the urban environment varies in Dorchester. A circular walk starting and finishing in Poundbury, in a supervised group carrying out data collection such as environmental quality surveys.

We will travel by coach to Lyme Regis, leaving school at 9am and return before the end of school day, so that students can take their normal transport home at 3.30pm. For the Dorchester visit we travel by coach and minibus and will return to school by lunchtime, so that we can complete some follow up activities in the classroom.

- School uniform is not required for the Lyme Regis day (Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October), but sensible, warm clothing and comfortable, sturdy footwear is needed.
- School uniform must be worn on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October.
- The school coat needs to be worn.
- A packed lunch including drink (meals will be provided for students eligible for Free School Meals).
- Pens and pencils.
- A clip board or folder to rest work on (we have some that can be borrowed).
- Any medication.

In order for this fieldtrip to go ahead we are asking for a contribution of £20 per person, to cover the cost of both days. Payment is required through ParentMail +Pay by **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October** please (50% of the cost will be subsidised for students eligible for Pupil Premium). If you wish to apply for financial assistance for this trip, please complete a Financial Support Application Form (available on the school website or from Reception) as soon as possible.

To confirm that you have received information about this visit and are happy for your son/daughter to take part, please sign the appropriate page of the school planner. If there are any changes to your emergency contact details or any new medical considerations please inform the school office so we can update our records.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me by calling the school office or by email [swalters@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:swalters@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk)

Yours faithfully

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