



The Sixth Form

June 2023

Dear Year 12 Parents and Carers

A Level Geography Summer Fieldwork Days 2023 Thursday 29th June, Dorchester (all day) and Wednesday 5th July, Bridport (am)

We are pleased to be able to offer the following local field trips for our Year 12 A Level Geography students to fulfil the requirement for them to participate in field trips as part of their A Level Geography course.

Day 1 - Dorchester, Thursday 29th June (all day)

Mrs Walters will lead this field trip. It will provide a case study of a changing place to support the Human Geography element of the course. We will be studying various parts of Dorchester, including Poundbury, Brewery Square regeneration and the town centre. Part of our itinerary will include times where students will be working in a small group collecting data independently. Good, safe behaviour is essential in this urban location.

We will travel by minibus to Dorchester leaving **Beaminster bus park at 9am, then 9.15am from the Sir John Colfox**. We will return to Colfox by **3pm and then Beaminster for 3.15pm**.

Day 2 – Bridport, Wednesday 5th July (morning only)

Ms Nicoll will lead this visit. It will focus on sampling techniques and collecting data to support the Water and Carbon Cycles Unit. Students will be walking as a group from Colfox to carry out fieldwork in a nature reserve in Bridport, leaving after the Beaminster bus has arrived (9.10am) and returning in time for lunch.

To ensure the smooth running of the day, students need to be prepared by bringing:

1. A packed lunch, including plenty of drinking water.
2. A small amount of money to purchase drinks/snacks (optional).
3. Writing equipment (essential) and a clipboard if possible.
4. Medication e.g. asthma inhaler etc, please give specific details on the consent form.
5. A waterproof coat to wear in case it rains and flat, sensible (comfortable) footwear.
6. Sunscreen and hat if looking particularly warm and sunny.

In order for this field trip to go ahead we are asking for a contribution of **£5** per person, to cover transport to Dorchester. Payment should be made through ParentMail +Pay by **Wednesday June 28th** please and a payment item for this will be available shortly.

Should you have any concerns about payment, please contact your Head of Sixth Form for information about bursaries and other financial assistance available for post-16 students at Beaminster and The Sir John Colfox Academy.

Please complete and return the attached consent form by Wednesday 28th June to ensure that we have up to date information.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me: swalters@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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**A Level Geography Summer Fieldwork 2023
Consent Form**

Please complete and return to Mrs Walters at Beaminster School by Wednesday 28th June

STUDENT NAME: **TUTOR GROUP**

Home Address:
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PERMISSION

- I give/do not give permission for the above to participate in the A Level Geography Fieldwork

- I understand that students take any valuable items, at their own risk.

MEDICAL/EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In the event of an emergency on the day(s) of the trip, I can be contacted on:

Contact number(s):

If I am unavailable, please contact:

Name and relationship to student:

Contact Number(s):

Please state in confidence any health or other matters concerning your child about which you would like the staff to know. With medical conditions, please indicate whether any medication will be necessary on the trip.

Although my child is in good health, I should like you to know the following:

My child has the following medical conditions
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My child will need to bring the following medication:
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Please indicate below whether your child has any allergies:
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Parent Name:

Parent Signature:

Date: