

20 May 2019

Dear Parent/guardian

## Slapton Ley Geography Fieldwork Visit

I am writing to you about the upcoming Geography Fieldwork Visit. The visit offers the chance for students to see real life examples of the ideas they have learnt about. Students will spend time looking at the coast and Dartmoor National Park. Students must complete fieldwork in at least two different environments as part of their GCSE course so attendance on one of the trips we organise is required. Students who cannot attend the Devon Trip will be invited to take part in a one day visit to an area in Hertfordshire to conduct their fieldwork. As well as being required to complete fieldwork the students have a written examination (worth 30% of the course) based on the fieldwork they complete, hence we are offering this opportunity.

The proposed visit will run from Monday 7 October to Friday 11 October and will follow the itinerary outlined below. The price of this visit will be a maximum of £410 but this will depend on the number of students that attend. With a good attendance the cost could be as low as £365. This price includes: return coach travel, full board accommodation, centre-taught fieldwork days with trained Geographers, worksheets and maps, evening classes and the release of members of staff. The only other cost to students/parents ia a packed lunch for the first day and any spending money. Students can hire waterproof coats, wellies and walking boots form the Field Centre but the cost is low (approx £5). A more detailed kit list will be sent out in September.

## **Itinerary Outline:**

Arrival Day	Depart school 5:30 am Visit to Totnes for lunch Arrive at Slapton Ley Field Study Centre around 2:00pm The afternoon/evening session will consist of familiarising students with the local environment and an introduction to the fieldwork enquiry.
Day 2 / 3 / 4	Complete a variety of fieldwork activities including a river study, coastal study and study on the impact of tourism in Dartmoor National Park.  During some morning and evening sessions students will write up their findings in preparation for their written examination (Summer 2018).
Departure Day	Return journey to The Nobel School stopping off at Blackdown Hills Cranbourne Chase Area of Natural Beauty – E.T.A 3:00pm.

In order to secure this booking we required a non-refundable deposit of £100.00. The deadline for the deposit is Monday 1 July. If this time limit is a problem please send in the consent form and contact myself. Unfortunately, once money for a visit has been paid we may be unable to provide





any refund unless a student is forced to withdraw at the last moment through illness or injury. Any refund is subject to a successful insurance claim by the school which relies on a doctor's certificate and completion of the school's travel insurance documentation. If a child/parent changes their mind or moves school and withdraws from the visit then no refund can be given. Charges are made by providers upon receipt of the deposit so the school will be charged in full for the place reserved.

The outstanding balance will be confirmed as soon as possible and then the following amounts need to be paid. Payment can be made in full at any time once the final amount is confirmed.

Instalment 1	£140	Monday 2 September 2019
Instalment 2	£ TBC 120 -170	Tuesday 1 October 2019

Financial support is available for students who qualify for pupil premium.

This is an important curriculum visit and we do not wish for any student to be disadvantaged, financial support may be available for students who qualify for pupil premium; please contact Charlotte Harnetty if you would like to discuss how to apply.

An alternative day visit will be put in place for students that are not able to participate; however we would like all students to have the opportunity to go and if there are any concerns (financial or otherwise) regarding your son/daughter's attendance on this exciting visit please do not hesitate to contact me immediately as we will try to assist wherever possible.

Please complete the attached reply slip and the consent form and return to Main Reception with the deposit for £100. You may pay by cash or cheque, payable to The Nobel School.

We have always had excellent behaviour on Geography visits; this is again expected and essential to ensure the students' safety and learning. We require students and parents to sign a behaviour contract before the visit that matches the school's behaviour policy for the visit.

This is a fantastic opportunity for our students that I hope they will take advantage of. There are fantastic examples of geographical landforms, processes and ideas that the student's can study and interact with. Many thanks in advance for all your support and I look forward to working with you towards a rewarding and beneficial visit.

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Permission slip & consent form to be returned to The Nobel	School Reception by 1 July 2019
I would like my son/daughter:	Form
to participate in the trip to Slapton Ley Field Study Centre from 7	October to Friday 11 October.
I have enclosed a non-refundable deposit of £100.00	
Signed (Parent/guardian):	
Name (Parent/guardian):	





## PARENTAL CONSENT FOR A SCHOOL VISIT

1. Details of visit to: Slapton Lev Date: 7th to 11th October 2019 I agree to (Student's Full Name) \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_s participation in the visit/event. I acknowledge the need for (Student's Full Name) \_\_\_\_ to behave responsibly. 2. Medical information about your child a. Any conditions requiring medical treatment, including medication? YES / NO If YES, please give brief details: Please outline any special dietary requirements of your child and the type of pain/flu relief medication your child may be given if necessary: I give consent for medical/dietary information being passed to travel companies, accommodation or medical professionals. Signed (Parent/Guardian) Date Declaration I agree to my son/daughter receiving medication as instructed and any emergency dental, medical or surgical treatment, including anaesthetic or blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present. I understand the extent and limitations of the insurance cover provided. I give consent for medical treatment to be administered as required. Signed (Parent/Guardian) Date Emergency contact telephone numbers: Name Home: Work/Mobile: Name \_ Home: Work/Mobile: Name of family doctor: Address: I give consent for publicity photos being taken throughout the visit/event and to these being used in media to report on the event. Signed(Parent/Guardian)

