

Tuesday 3rd June 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO Whitby - 20th June

As part of the Key Stage 3 Geography curriculum, we shall be taking all Year 8 geographers for a day of field studies to the North Yorkshire coastline.

Your child will go on the trip on Friday 20th June. Travel will be by coach departing school at approximately 9.00am. Students should arrive to school no later than 8.50am and meet in the canteen, where they will be registered.

We shall arrive back at Boroughbridge High School between 3:20pm and 3:30pm (traffic permitting). We are aiming to arrive back to school in time for students to still make the buses home. Students are not permitted to leave the school site until the end of the school day at 3:40pm.

The cost of the trip resources will be met by the school but we would ask for a contribution of £16.50 towards the considerable travel costs. This can be paid by via ParentPay, where there is also a consent form to tick to give permission for your child to attend the trip.

The day itself will be spent on the streets of Whitby. We will be outside for much of the day and will, at times, be negotiating tricky and slippery terrain, including uneven surfaces. It is therefore essential that all students wear clothing appropriate to the weather (bearing in mind that the coast is likely to be cooler and breezier than here in Boroughbridge and that the weather can change quickly) and that sturdy footwear is worn.

Your child will also need to bring a set of equipment, including pen, pencil, 30 cm ruler, rubber and sharpener as well as a packed lunch and plenty to drink. If it is a particularly sunny day you may wish to supply your child with sun cream and, if your child suffers from travel sickness, please ensure they have taken (and bring with them if required) appropriate medication.

Students will be allowed to bring mobile phones on the trip for the journey. If they choose to do so, we must stress that such items are solely their responsibility. We hold the same high standards conducting fieldwork as in a classroom. This means that phones are not allowed to be used whilst completing fieldwork or whilst walking between sites.

Whilst the trip is primarily one of work, we do hope your child enjoys their day out of school on the coast. The environment, however, can be a hazardous one. At no point will students be allowed to enter the sea and they will be issued with a clear set of 'do's' and 'don'ts' for the day. We will expect only the highest standard of behaviour on the trip and I do hope you will support the school by reiterating these expectations to your child.

I look forward to a pleasant and productive day.

Yours faithfully

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