

April 2017

Dear Parent / Guardian

AS/A2 Geology Fieldwork Trip – Monday 10 July to Thursday 13 July 2017

Your son/daughter, as part of his/her A2 Geology course, is due to carry out a piece of coursework, which is based upon field studies. To achieve this, we will be looking at the geology of the Northumberland area over a period of 4 days in July 2017.

The plan is to depart from school at **09:10 on Monday 10 July** (departure time may be amended due to tide times) and to return at approximately **17:30 on Thursday 13 July 2017**. Transport will be by minibus. Accommodation will be at Wooler Youth Hostel where all meals will be provided with the exception of Monday lunch. Students must bring their own packed lunch and drinks for this. The cost for this visit will be £170.00 per person to cover the cost of accommodation, meals and fuel. Students may wish to bring a small amount of additional spending money for snacks and drinks. I would suggest £20.00.

I must emphasise that this trip is a requirement of the A2 course in Year 13 as it is an integral part of the coursework component. Therefore, if your son/daughter decides **not** to come, they will be **unable** to do Geology in Year 13. Please note that students will not be allowed to smoke or drink alcohol.

The address/telephone number of the youth hostel is Wooler YHA, 30 Cheviot Street, Wooler, NE71 6LW and the telephone number is 01668 281 365. Please use this number only in the event of an emergency. Otherwise, staff can be contacted via St Aidan's or through Mr Wood (07791 462 250) in an emergency, during out of school hours.

The preferred method of payment is by ParentPay although you can still pay by cheque (made payable to St Aidan's School Fund). If you are paying by cheque, would you please put it in an envelope and hand it to the Finance Department.

If you prefer to pay in two instalments, please make one payment of **£85.00 by Friday 28 April** and the remaining **£85.00 by Friday 09 June** using the same process outlined above. If you have any problems meeting the dates for payment, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Collins, our Trips Administrator, on 01423 818527.



ASSOCIATED SIXTH FORM



Information relating to health and emergency contacts will be taken from the medical form filled in when your son/daughter entered the sixth form. If there are any amendments to this information please write them on the consent form. If your **son/daughter's medical details indicate that they need medication such as inhalers, please ensure that they bring them on the trip; otherwise we will be unable to take them.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any concerns about the field trip.

Yours faithfully

P G Edwards
Geology Co-ordinator



Please return this form ONLY if you are paying by cheque – consent is given online if you are paying by ParentPay

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I consent to my son/daughter undertaking the above AS Geology Fieldwork. I have enclosed a cheque for the following amount:

I enclose £170.00 as full payment (please tick as necessary)

I enclose £85.00 as part payment (please tick as necessary)

I also confirm that any changes to the Medical / Emergency Contact details provided earlier this year are listed below.

Students Name:..... Tutor Group:.....

Signed Parent / Guardian:..... Date:.....

Please return the form and your payment (if paying by cheque) to the finance department by Friday 28 April 2017. Thank you.