10 January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 12 Geography Trip

Happy New Year! Before we depart for Cranedale in Yorkshire, for our Geography fieldtrip on 26 February, I wanted to make sure you were aware of an Information Evening, a few final details and expectations. These are all in place to ensure students are safe and enjoy this interesting fieldtrip. 

Please complete the attached 'Medical and Consent Form' and return to me by 1 February latest.

A current itinerary is attached for your information; this may be subject to some changes. Students will be given a copy of the finalised version and are expected to carry it with them at all times.

The following is a brief outline:

1. We will meet at **School on Tuesday 26 February at 7.00am.** We should return to **School at approximately 9.00pm on Friday 1 March.** If the bus is delayed, or there are any issues, your son/daughter will be asked to contact you.

2. We are staying at The Cranedale Centre, Kirby Grindalythe, Malton, North Yorkshire, YO17 8DB    Tel: 01944 738687.

3. Students will only require a little spending money to buy food and drink on the journey there and back and at the centre, where there is a small shop selling sweets and soft drinks. All meals are provided during the rest of the week, so students will not need to purchase food.

4. Some of the time students will be ‘unsupervised’. They are expected to remain within the designated areas, as detailed in the itinerary, and as instructed by staff. They must always remain in a group of 3 minimum. Their phone should remain on at all times, in case we need to get hold of them. If they change their number prior to the trip, they must inform us.

5. Students will need to pack sensible, warm, waterproof clothing as we will be outside most of the day and it could be quite cold and wet. They will also require some equipment. (Please see attached list.)

Itinerary: The working day is from 9.15am to 8.30pm with breaks for lunch and dinner. 
Tuesday pm - Coastal processes. 
Wednesday - Variations in water and carbon processes. 
Thursday – Investigating settlements. 
Friday – Geographical skills and microclimate data collection.
Please be aware that 2 students and their teacher will be joining us from the Reach School. This enables us to keep the cost of the field trip down and has the advantage of providing our students with more opportunity for collaborative fieldwork on our return.

Finally, students are representing the Geography Department, the School, their family and most importantly themselves. Let’s give a really good impression. In the unlikely event of any unacceptable behaviour, particularly with excess noise at the centre, consumption of alcohol or failure to follow instructions on the trip, we will have no hesitation in sending your son/daughter home immediately at your expense. There can be no warnings or second chances.

We are looking forward to the trip and taking the current Year 12 students.

I am sure it is going to a great experience for us all!

If there are any questions please get in touch with me via email at sjessett@rickmansworth.herts.sch.uk. Alternatively, there is a Parents’ Information Evening scheduled for Tuesday 5 February at 7pm in the dining hall extension to provide an opportunity to answer any of your questions. I hope to see you there!

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Jessett
Geography Teacher
To: Mrs S Jessett  
Re: Year 12 Geography Trip – Parent Information Evening  

Student Name …………………………………………………………………………..

Form & Teaching Group …………………………………………………………..

We will/will not be able to attend the Year 12 Geography Information Evening on Tuesday 5 February 2019.

Signed: ........................................................................................................ (Parent/Guardian)

Date: .............................................................................................................