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 September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Y12 Geography - Field studies Trip –Sunday 2nd to Wednesday 5th March 2025

The Geography Department are running a residential field trip to the Drapers Field Centre, Snowdonia, as part of the A level course which is a compulsory requirement as part of the specification to take part in fieldwork. This will be in collaboration with King's Academy Binfield Sixth Form (previously with Sandhurst School). Students have to complete a piece of research within the field which is 20% of their final grade. Students, through guidance from the staff, can decide to either investigate a human or physical element of the specification.

Rhyd-y-creuau is a Field Studies Council Centre which is renowned for their high-quality courses and their ability to raise attainment in the support of A level courses. We have used the centre for the last 7 years to support our geographers.

Whilst on the trip, students will take part in a range of activities relating to their fieldwork such as a trial data collection day and the actual data collection itself for their coursework. They will also be exploring the human and physical environment including Glaciation and Changing Places. Aside from this there will also be other activities to break up their day and help them engage with other elements of the A Level course and skills papers.

The cost of the trip is heavily subsidised by the school but unfortunately, we have to ask for the cost of their residential place to be covered by parents. **This is £375 and is to be paid in full by Monday 3rd February 2025.**

It is suggested to make payments in a series of instalments as detailed below; the deposit dates are mandatory.

Payment	Due Date
1st Deposit £125 (non-refundable) *	Friday 1st November 2024 (mandatory)
2nd Deposit £125 (non-refundable) *	Monday 2nd December 2024 (mandatory)
£125*	Monday 3rd February 2025 (mandatory)

*Please note cancellation charges will be incurred if you cancel your child's place; this will be in line with the tour company's cancellation guidelines and may also include any additional costs incurred by the school. This may be over and above the non-refundable amounts depending on how close to the trip date it is. Some instances of cancellation would fall under the insurance policy (i.e. medical reasons) and if a successful claim was made the loss would be limited to the insurance excess charge.

The cost of the trip includes the accommodation and meals at Rhyd-y-creuau for the four days, travel costs from Bracknell to Snowdonia by minibus and the cost of the trip excursions while students are at the centre.

It is strongly encouraged that your child participates in this trip and to reserve a place for your child on this trip, please make the initial deposit payment and complete consent, emergency contact and medical section on your ParentPay account by Friday 1st November 2024. Should you need to activate your account please email finance@kgaeasthampstead.uk.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions relating to this trip on 01344 390804 or via email to sarah.buchanan@kgaeasthampstead.uk.

Yours faithfully

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