

22nd March 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

GCSE Geography Field Visit to the Holderness Coast 9th/10th/11th May 2017

As part of your son or daughter's GCSE Geography course, he/she is required to complete a fieldwork study in preparation for their Geographical skills exam. This year, we intend to run a single day's visit to the Holderness coast to study coastal processes and landforms, in order to enable pupils to complete this work.

Your son or daughter will spend part of the day gathering data on beach measurements. They will be working in small groups of three or four, and Woldgate staff will ensure that they are closely supervised. However, in order to ensure pupil safety, I must emphasise that sensible and responsible behaviour is expected at all times, and any transgression will be dealt with extremely seriously. There are obviously a number of hazards associated with beaches and cliffs, and we will expect the highest standards of behaviour. Anyone putting themselves or others at risk will be immediately withdrawn, which will have serious implications for their success in their Geographical Skills exam.

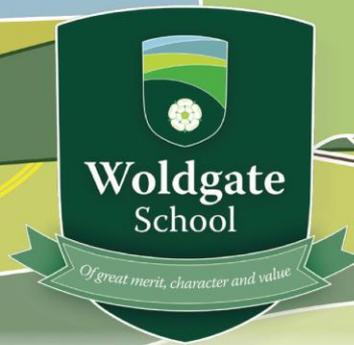
Please note the following additional points:

- School uniform is NOT required, but sensible clothing, particularly footwear should be worn. A pair of wellies should be brought if possible.
- Pupils should bring a packed lunch, there are no shops/cafes in the vicinity for lunch.
- Pupils should have with them pens/pencils, and a camera if possible, as well as a suitable coat in case of wet weather.

Pupils will travel to the Holderness coast from School, returning by 3.30pm.

In order for the visit to take place, I need to ask for a voluntary contribution towards transport costs of £10.00 per pupil. We would like to draw your attention to the footnote on the reverse of this letter regarding voluntary contributions and the conditions which apply, should you wish to seek financial assistance. Payment can be made by credit/debit card using our online payment system at www.scopay.com/woldgate or via the online payment link on our school website www.woldgate.net. You can also send in cash or a cheque made payable to Woldgate School.

Tuesday 9 th May	10B	Miss Rowlands Class
Wednesday 10 th May	10C	Mr Websters Class
Thursday 11 th May	10A	Mr Websters Class



This visit is an important part of the course. Please help us to make it a success by ensuring your son or daughter is able to take part, and by signing and returning the permission slip on the reverse of this letter to the main school office. If you have any additional enquiries, please feel free to contact me at school.

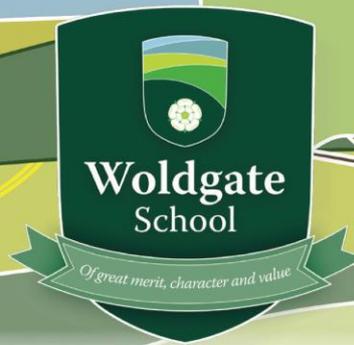
Yours faithfully

Mr J Webster
Head of Geography

Voluntary Contributions

We regard visits as being significant in adding value to the learning experience of pupils, and, to this end, we subsidise them as much as we can to ensure opportunities are accessible and affordable to all. However, the school seldom has the financial resources to pay the full costs and so a voluntary contribution is often requested from parents and carers to make up the shortfall and ensure visits can go ahead. We would be grateful if you would make the Visit Leader aware of your intention, should you be unable to offer a voluntary contribution. It is also important to note that, for those parents and carers in receipt of the following benefits, support is available:

- Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-based)
- Income Support
- Child Tax Credit (but not receiving Working Tax Credit) – provided your annual income, assessed by the Inland Revenue, does not exceed £16,190 (subject to change annually in April)
- Employment Support Allowance (Income-related)
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999



REPLY SLIP

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Please return to the main school office

Pupil Name: Form:

I give permission for the above named pupil to take part in the GCSE field visit to the Holderness coast on the May 2017. I understand that pupils will be supervised at all times.

Medical Condition(s)/Medication required:

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Emergency contact information

I can be contacted in the event of an emergency on:

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Payment Information

I enclose a voluntary contribution of £10.00 towards transport and insurance costs.

Please confirm payment details:

- I have paid £..... via the online payment system
- I enclose £..... cash / cheque made payable to Woldgate School

Signed: (Parent/Guardian)

Print name:

Date: