



16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

## Year 12 – Geography Field Trip

As you may be aware the Geography field trip planned for next week has been cancelled. Unfortunately, this is due to circumstances and decisions beyond our control, whilst we were always aware of potential changes it is disappointing it cannot go ahead in any capacity. As a result, the following arrangements have been put in place to support the students in starting the process of completing their NEA.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July - the students will be in school to have two days working on their introduction and methodology. This will allow the students to complete the writing of these two sections as well as giving time to adapt and prepare their methods of data collection. Students will not be required to wear school uniform. Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - students will not be required to be in school but will have this time available to collect their data independently or continue writing their Introduction and Methodology.

Whilst these circumstances are far from ideal, we hope by the time the students return from the summer, all their data would have been collected. We can therefore continue with the analysis sections upon return to school and as a result have not lost time in the long-term planning of this piece of work.

The exception to this would be those students opting to study coasts, our current intention is to have a field trip to North Wales on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September, this will include all students in the class. Whilst not all students are studying Coasts for their NEA, fieldwork is an essential element of the course, and this will give the students the opportunity to study coastal processes that is an examined topic. We estimate the cost of this will be £32 and will be taken from the balance you have already paid. The remaining £208 will be refunded to you as soon as possible. Students will not be required to wear school uniform and will need to bring their own lunch and refreshments. The plan for the day is as follows:

- 9.00 – Leave school bus bay, travel to Llanfairfechan
- 11.15 – 12.45 Beach profile and sediment size analysis across beach. Wave frequency analysis
- 12.45 – 14.00 - Coastal management – photos, field sketches and measurement of height of sand on groynes in town. Bi-polar scale for usefulness of sea defences including questionnaires.
- 14.00 – 14.15 - Travel to Conwy.
- 14.15 – 16.00 - Beach profile and sediment size analysis. Wave frequency analysis. Vegetation survey across beach including questionnaires.
- 16.00 – 18.30 Return to school

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate in getting in touch with myself or Miss Edwards to discuss further.

Yours faithfully

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