

6 February 2025

Dear Parents/Carers and Students

GCSE Geography Field Trip to Swanage, Dorset - Wednesday 8 to Friday 10 October 2025

A GCSE Geography field trip to Swanage in Dorset will take place from Wednesday 8 to Friday 10 October 2025. The trip is essential and designed to fulfil the obligatory fieldwork requirement in the syllabus. Fieldwork will be undertaken at several sites in the area, including Chesil Beach, Lulworth Cove and Swanage. This location has been chosen for its stunning coastal landscape and the opportunities to study both physical and human geography.

Travel will be by coach and we will depart from school at 9.00am on Wednesday 8 October, returning by 3.00pm on Friday 10 October 2025. During the trip, we will be staying at Cumulus Outdoors Field Centre on a full board basis. The fieldwork activities will be led by members of the Geography department.

The cost of this trip is **£220 per student**, which will cover accommodation, food (excluding lunch on the outward journey), travel and fieldwork equipment. Please make your payment via WisePay (under 'Trips and Visits') **in full by Monday 7 July** or in **two instalments**, the **first instalment of £110** being due **by Monday 5 May** and the **second instalment** being due **by Monday 7 July 2025**. By paying, you are consenting to your child taking part in the above school trip.

Please note, if insufficient funds are raised, the trip may not run and alternative arrangements will have to be made. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, please contact the Finance Office, in confidence, by emailing finance@parmiters.herts.sch.uk.

Should you decide at a future date to cancel your child's place (apart from the usual reasons covered by insurance such as illness or injury) the deposit will not be refunded, as bookings will have been secured well in advance of the trip dates.

Please also complete the **Medical Form** by **Monday 7 July 2025**, at the latest.

The Headmaster reserves the right to withdraw any student, at any stage, from the trip, where he considers that the safety or benefit of this experience could be spoilt by an individual student's presence. If your child withdraws from the visit, the school decides to remove your child from the visit for a breach of discipline, or your child is removed from the visit because a concern exists about your child's suitability to partake in the activities, some or all of the monies paid will be lost.

We will write to you at the start of term in September with further details about the trip. If you have any queries in this regard, please do not hesitate to e-mail k.clark@parmiters.herts.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely



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