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23rd January 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: A. Level Geography Field Studies June 2017

As part of the A. Level course, students have to undertake 4 days **compulsory** field studies. The data collection programme can come from any element of the A. Level course, however, the team have chosen two key areas which are;

1. Re-branding places
2. Coasts – Protection / Conflict

The field studies week will also enable hands on approach to data collection which, if the students wish, can apply to their own programme of study when they return. The main objective for this field study week is to be able to collect sufficient data to be able to produce a 3000-4000 word individual geographical report, which has a 20% weighting for the entire A. Level course.

It is therefore proposed that all A. Level Geography students undertake the following field studies programme from **26th to 30th June 2017**. This isn't the original date proposed for October but I think you would agree June is a far superior time to be along the coast collecting data. It will not only be better in terms of the weather but it will also give the students a longer day.

I am aware this is during term time but it has been authorised by the Headmaster and, as such, students will be asked to approach their teachers to collect extra work for the May/June half-term.

The cost of this field trip which includes four night's full board accommodation, transportation to Dorset plus supporting tutors and lectures is **£340**.

The full payment **must** be made by **16th June 2017**. A non-refundable deposit to secure a place of **£150** pounds is required by **Friday 24th February 2017**. Cheques should to be made payable to Northampton School *for Boys* and marked with 'A. Level Geography Field Trip 2017' on the back, or through Parent Pay which is the easiest and most secure method of payment. If paying by cash, then please put in a sealed envelope with student Name/Form and 'A. Level Geography Field Trip 2017' on the front. All payments should be made to the Finance Office.

Please complete the attached reply slip and return it together with the enclosed Medical Consent/Pupil Information Form fully completed & signed to Mrs T O'Neill at school by **Friday 24th February**.

Yours faithfully



Mrs T O'Neill
Geography Teacher

Re: A. Level Geography Field Studies 2017 - Please return by Friday 24th February to Mrs O'Neill F8

I/We* do/do not* give permission for my/our* son/daughter* to take part in the A. Level Geography Field Studies trip from 26th to 30th June.

I/We* understand the cost of the trip is **£340**.

Payment in full will be required by **Friday 16th June 2017**. I/We* also acknowledge that by signing this form I/we* am/are* requesting a place and in the event of my/our* son/daughter* not attending the full payment will be made unless prior arrangements have been made with Mrs O'Neill.

I believe I may qualify for financial assistance. **Y / N** (*please indicate*)

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Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Name of student: _____ **Form:** _____

(*Delete as necessary)