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9<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

### A-level Geography Field Trip: Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023

As part of the geography A-level course, it is compulsory for students to complete four days of fieldwork for their non-examined assessment (independent investigation/fieldwork), which is worth 20% of their A-level grade. We are undertaking a residential trip to Dorset during the summer term to provide students with the opportunity to learn about the process of conducting fieldwork to prepare them for their Independent Investigation.

At Sandringham, we commit to a residential trip to Leeson House FSC, Swanage, in Dorset. This is one of the most highly respected field study centres in the UK and we believe that this offers our students the best chance of achieving the best grade possible for this critical component of the course. Tutors from the centre will work alongside teachers to deliver a comprehensive programme of study, enabling students to effectively prepare for, and carry out, an individual investigation to a high standard.

The cost of the trip is **£245**. This includes a contribution for transport by coach to Dorset, and between different urban and rural locations during the visit, full board accommodation at the centre, and bespoke tutorial sessions delivered by expert tutors.

Please make your payment via ParentPay at the website [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) You can either pay the full amount now, or you can pay in two instalments for the following deadlines:

- Initial deposit of **£145** – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023
- Second instalment of **£100** – 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023

If your child is in receipt of a 16-19 bursary, the cost of the trip will be covered fully.

Participation in this trip is subject to good conduct in school prior to the trip taking place. If any student's behaviour or attitude is in question and they are removed from the trip due to their conduct, any monies paid to date will not be refunded.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at [millern@mysandstorm.org](mailto:millern@mysandstorm.org)

Yours sincerely,

Neil Miller  
Director of Learning: Geography

