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Dear Parent/Carer

Geography Field Trip, Walton on the Naze, Essex – Friday 26th June 2026

We are delighted to inform you of a forthcoming opportunity for our Year 10 GCSE Geography students to take part in a field study trip as part of their GCSE Geography course.

The purpose of the day is to study the coastal processes and landforms along this stretch of coastline. Students will be using a range of field techniques to observe and collect data that will be analysed on our return. Whilst in Walton we will be able to climb the Naze Tower, where visitors can enjoy spectacular 360° coastal views from the viewing platform. For your child to climb the tower we are requesting a £3 payment for the entry fee. If this cost is a barrier, please do get in touch. As you may be aware, fieldwork is an essential aspect of GCSE Geography. It is therefore a very important aspect of the course, and its successful completion has helped students to attain excellent academic results in the past.

The group will travel by coach, departing from the Academy at 9.00am and will return by 3pm so that students are able to catch buses. Students should bring appropriate clothing to cater for the weather (sun hat, sun cream if warm or a waterproof jacket and warm coat if cold), suitable footwear. We would be grateful if you would provide your son/daughter with a packed lunch as well as drinks and snacks to last the duration of the trip. If your child is entitled to a Free School Meal and you would like a packed lunch to be prepared for them to take on the day, please indicate this on the online permission form. Unfortunately, any student who arrives at the Academy without appropriate clothing will be withdrawn from the trip, as the weather conditions at this time of year can be very unpredictable! Please note that if the weather conditions are not appropriate on the day of the trip, it will be postponed to another suitable date.

As the coursework experience is an important part of supporting learning for the GCSE course, the cost of this trip will be met by the Academy, apart from the Naze Tower. To give permission for your child to participate in this trip please complete the online form on, I Pay Impact (cashless system), select 'Walton Geography Trip 26th June' and answer the questions by **break-time on Friday 12th June**. If you wish for your child to climb the Naze please pay the £3 contribution.

However, I must also mention that, if at any time from now to the date of the trip your child's behaviour is considered by the Academy to be unacceptable and might cause serious concern whilst away from the site, the right is reserved to refuse to take him/her/them on the trip. However, I am sure all parents understand how important trust, behaviour and safety issues are on these occasions.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Academy.

Yours sincerely

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