

Our ref: SWI/RKR

7 March 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 Geography Visit to Sheffield

We are delighted to confirm that your child has been allocated a place on the visit to Sheffield on **Wednesday 26 March 2025** to support their grasp of some key ideas as well as providing experience of fieldwork activities, a requirement for the GCSE. By attending this visit, students will experience regeneration by collecting a range of fieldwork data whilst observing locations such as Park Hill flats, the City centre and Kelham Island.

In order for the trip to go ahead, we are requesting a contribution of £7.34 to go towards the cost of the coach transport. Students will leave the academy at 8:30 am and will return to the academy at approximately 3:30-4:00 pm. As the return time is potentially after the end of the academy day, information regarding student dismissal will be taken from the consent form sent out earlier in the year.

Payment should be made via the ParentPay facility. If you are unable to access ParentPay and require a barcoded letter to pay at a PayPoint, please email admin@stwacademy.com and a letter will be printed for the student to collect from Reception. The deadline for payment is Wednesday 12 March 2025. If you are facing financial hardship and are unable to make the payment, please contact admin@stwacademy.com and a member of staff will contact you to discuss options in which we may be able to offer support.

Fieldwork experiences are an important part of the Geography curriculum and allow students to experience the subject beyond the classroom in a way that we cannot recreate within the academy; as such, we require all students to attend.

Due to the nature of the day and potential changes in weather, students will not need to be in full school uniform. However, clothing and footwear worn should be smart, comfortable, and appropriate for the visit. Students will also need a bag (school style bag will suffice), in which they can carry equipment. As the location has a limited range of facilities, students could either bring a packed lunch or money to purchase lunch. If the student is in receipt of Free School Meals, a packed lunch will be provided.

Students will be supervised by members of academy staff during the visit and there will be a trained first aider present as part of this supervision. If there are occasions on this visit where students are casually supervised, students will be briefed ahead of the visit with the meeting points, times and details on how to contact a member of academy staff in the event of an emergency.

Please provide consent and medical information by accessing the form here: <https://forms.office.com/e/JuhZJPdeb4>.

Yours sincerely

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