

20 January 2012

Dear Parents

Fieldwork is a practical and exciting opportunity for learning in Geography. It is also now a requirement for the GCSE course. The Geography Department has planned a three-day residential visit in June to Slapton Ley in Devon. The main purpose of the trip would be to study coastal processes and landforms, an intrinsic part of the GCSE course. This fieldwork would be used in the 'controlled assessment' element of the course, which accounts for 25% of the total grade.

In order to ensure the trip is as safe, educational and as cost effective as possible, we have secured accommodation for two nights and three days in the Slapton Ley Field Studies Centre, part of the national Field Studies Council group. We will travel to Devon by train, departing from Paddington rail station in the morning of Friday 29 June and return on the afternoon of Sunday 1 July.

The total cost for your daughter will be £225, which includes accommodation in small dormitories, all meals (provided by the centre), tuition from fully-qualified staff at the centre, use of equipment and study rooms, rail transport to and from Devon and transport to study sites during the trip.

As pupils will be examined on these fieldwork investigations, we would like all Y10 Geographers to attend. The school is able to offer some financial support if necessary. Please contact the Bursar for information. For further details about the centre, please visit their website at <http://www.field-studies-council.org/slaptonley/index.aspx>.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Atkinson
Head of Geography

Please complete and return the form below



Geography Fieldwork in Devon – 29 June to 1 July

Name of Daughter:.....

Form

- I give permission for my daughter to take part in the Geography fieldwork excursion to Slapton Ley, Devon
- I enclose a cheque for £100 made payable to Channing School to act as a first payment. The second payment of £125 will be requested in April.

Signature of Parent:.....

Date.....