



25th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Middlesbrough Land Use Fieldwork 2023

We are always looking for ways that we can enrich the curriculum and help support the progress of our Geography students. GCSE specifications have a greater focus on the skills of carrying out fieldwork and we have decided to incorporate additional fieldwork into the year 7 scheme of learning on Monday 13th November. We have been covering our 'My Place' topic where students study their place at different scales from global to local and part of this topic is a focus on how urban areas grow. In order to study whether Middlesbrough fits an urban model that we study, we plan to visit a range of locations in Middlesbrough moving out from the centre to the edge of town. Students will be working in groups and using their enquiry skills to identify features of each location they visit which will help them decide if Middlesbrough fits the urban model.

Throughout the trip students will stay in their teaching group and will move between the different locations on foot and via the coach. As we are working in an urban area we will discuss health and safety with the students in lessons, but we would appreciate it if you could please discuss the importance of listening to instructions and being aware of the dangers of working close to roads and busy locations. The usual school rules will apply on this trip.

Students will be expected to wear full school uniform, but as we will be outside they must have a waterproof outdoor coat. Students are permitted to bring an alternative pair of shoes to change into while on the trip. They should bring their school bag as usual which can be worn or kept on the coach with the driver.

Students do not require any money as we will not be visiting any shops. The groups and timings of the day are as follows on Monday 13th November:

Morning: 08:50 - 12:00 (Students will return in time for the usual lunch arrangements in school but may want to bring a breaktime snack to have mid morning)

Y3 Athena
X2 Artemis
Y1 Zeus
X1 Hera

Afternoon: 12:15 - 3:15 (Students should bring a packed lunch to be eaten in P3 before we leave. Any student on free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch)

X4 Hermes
Y2 Poseidon
X3 Demeter

The cost of the trip is £4.30 and we would ask that it is paid by Wednesday 8th November 2023.





Please log into your ParentPay account and select 'Items to Pay' and then select **Year 7 Middlesbrough fieldwork November 2023.** You will be able to make payment via debit or credit card.

If you have not already done so, can you make sure the whole school consent form has been returned to school or inform us of any changes to your child's medical circumstances, as we will use this information to write our risk assessment.

As always, we appreciate the support given to the Geography department by parents and if you require any further information about the trip please contact me on cjones@stk.arete.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mr C Jones

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