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November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

A level Geography Fieldwork –2024
Lake District, Langdale – 26 to 28 June 2024

One of the most positive changes that has happened to A level Geography is that the running of a two-year A level course has meant that we are able to fulfil the compulsory requirement of a minimum of four days fieldwork with a residential stay in the Lake District and day trips to Snowdonia and to Liverpool. Such fieldwork is vital in allowing students to gain the necessary skills they will need for undertaking their own Non-Examined Assessment (NEA) which is based on a unit of study chosen by a student from within the examination specification. Students are expected to then carry out their own fieldwork individually, usually over the summer holidays, when they can collect extra data or comparative data from other locations. They then write up their findings in the autumn term producing a report of around 4,000 to 5,000 words that accounts for 20% of the overall A level mark. This is often a real opportunity for students to lay down a firm foundation for the examination, writing about something which interests them.

There will be 3 separate SCOPAY accounts set up to facilitate online payments for the three trips. We are still collecting the current prices for the different elements making up each trip, but we need to pay a deposit for the Lake District Langdale visit of £30 so we can get exclusive use of the beautiful Langdale Hostel from Wednesday 26th June 2024 until Friday 28th June. Scopay has therefore been set up to facilitate this for your child.

For your information, the prices last year were as follows and we do not expect there to be huge changes. We will notify you of these prices once we have received the quotes.

March 2023	day trip	Snowdonia day trip	£19.00
March 2023	day trip	Liverpool day trip	£16.00
June 2023	3 day residential	Langdale Lake District (Full Board)	£135.00 (same as 2022)
		Total	£170.00

Please kindly pay the deposit of £30 and give consent, by using the online payment system (if this is likely to cause any financial difficulties, please contact Mr S Clarke, Headteacher, in confidence by email to office@wkgs.net). Those in receipt of a school bursary will usually be asked to use the bursary to fund this compulsory part of their studies.

Full details of each trip will be provided once we have all the arrangements in place. Please note that the **online medical form** will be sent out separately via email. It would be helpful if this could be completed as soon as received.

Yours sincerely

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Mr K. Vane
Head of Geography

The school has a blanket School Journey Insurance policy in place to provide appropriate cancellation, curtailment, medical and personal possessions cover. This policy also carries very limited personal accident insurance cover for pupils. As the school will not be liable for any injury arising from incidents beyond our direct control, parents/carers may wish to consider purchasing their own personal accident cover to enhance the limited protection of this policy.