



October 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Kings Cross Regeneration Geography Fieldwork : Tuesday 21 February 2023

As part of their GCSE AQA Geography course, students are required to complete two fieldwork days. All data collected during the day will be written up and assessed in the Unit three examination in June. The first day of their fieldwork will be at Kings Cross, to collect primary data and develop case study knowledge on the 'Challenges in Cities'; students will investigate housing, transport and regeneration. All tuition on the day will be provided by the Fieldstudies Council London who specialise in fieldwork in the area relevant to the AQA syllabus. All students will attend on the same day, Tuesday 21 February 2023.

Students will travel to and from Kings Cross by coach, departing at 8.30am and returning at approximately 5.00pm; please make arrangements for your child to travel home at this later time. Your child will need to be in school for 8.00am to ensure that there is enough time to register them and organise their place on the coaches.

They will need a packed lunch and must wear full school uniform including sensible footwear (trainers may be worn). They should be prepared for all weather conditions and bring a suitable coat or raincoat as all work is completed outdoors. Students will be supervised in their fieldwork by members of staff including a Geography teacher, as well as the Fieldstudies Council tutor. During lunchtime, students will be remotely supervised in assigned areas of Kings Cross. They will travel by coach to Kings Cross; the coach will return to school at approximately 5.00pm.

The cost of the trip will be £42.00 per student. Payment may be made by ParentPay (our preferred option), or by cheque (made payable to Ashlyns School) by Friday 18 November 2022. Please note that if payment is made by ParentPay, a completed permission slip is not required. If paying by cheque, please complete and return the permission slip to the Finance Box outside the staff room. Payments are non-refundable.

Please note that the school's policy is that trips and other activities outside the normal teaching programme should be self-funding. If the trip or activity is linked to the GCSE Curriculum, as in this case contributions are voluntary, but if contributions are insufficient the trip may have to be cancelled. No student will be denied participation in the trip because of difficulty in meeting the cost. In cases of genuine financial hardship please contact Mrs Wilson in the Finance Office, in confidence, by Monday 31 October.

We hope that you will fully support us in emphasising the importance both of appropriate behaviour on the visit and completion of the work so that students can achieve the best possible marks for this important GCSE unit. If you have any questions or comments regarding this activity please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mrs V Lindop
Head of Geography
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Student Name: _____ Form: _____

I give permission for my child to take part in the Year 11 Geography Fieldwork Trip, as outlined overleaf.

I enclose a cheque for £42.00 made payable to Ashlyns School.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer Date: _____