



11th January 2019

Dear Parent / Carer

Year 8 Geography Trip

Geography will be running a Year 8 trip to the Natural History Museum on Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th February. This trip is open to all students in Year 8 and we want to bring the entire cohort on the fieldtrip over the two days. While at the museum students will have time to explore the Volcanoes and Earthquakes exhibits while completing a series of written tasks. They will then have an interactive demonstration explaining how tectonic plate interactions shape landscapes, generate earthquakes and form volcanoes. Students will have follow up lessons in class as part of our unit on Earthquakes which students will study from January to Easter

The details of the trip are as follows:

Date: Oak/Rowan 11/02/19 Beech/Willow 12/02/19

Departure Time: 9.30 from school

Return Time: 15.45 to school (traffic dependent)

Travel: Coach

Cost: £19.99

Food Required: Bring a packed lunch

School Uniform: Students are expected to be in full school uniform including appropriate footwear

While it might not be possible for anyone to guarantee 100% safety on any journey, myself as visit leader and my colleagues will retain the overall pastoral responsibility that we have when in school and which is well established in law. The law requires that teachers do everything reasonably practicable to ensure the safety of everyone in the group, and the staff will use their skills and experience as adults and teachers to protect the health, safety and welfare of the pupils. A detailed risk-assessment has been carried out, a copy of which is available from the school if you wish to see it.

As mentioned above, the visit will cost £19.99 per pupil and in order to meet the cost of the trip a voluntary contribution is necessary. No student will be refused a place because they have not made this contribution, please contact the school in confidence if you are unable to meet the cost. However, if there are insufficient voluntary contributions then the visit cannot take place.

Highlands has now become “cashless”, therefore all payments for trips, lunches, resources, etc., should now be made via www.parentpay.com using the password you were issued with. **If any of your emergency contact details, dietary or medical needs have changed or you need a reminder of your password, please call 020 8370 1100 or email postbox@highlands.enfield.sch.uk**. You are able to pay for this easily and quickly online, at the same time as your school lunch money. If you do not have a computer at home, we are able to issue Paypoint barcodes so you can pay for school trips using any PayPoint shop locally. Please request a bar code letter if you require one.

If you would like your child to take part in this visit, please pay the full amount of £19.99 by Friday 1st February. Payments are non-refundable.

Please note that all places are still subject to approval by the Faculty.

By making this payment on ParentPay it is confirmed that you have given your consent to your child going on this trip.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Geography