

JKI/ECM

18 October 2021

Dear Parent

In year 9, students are asked to choose which subjects they would like to continue at GCSE level next year. Preliminary discussions have been held in some subjects regarding option choices and your son/daughter has expressed an interest in continuing their study of Geography at GCSE level.

The Geography department intends to run a residential fieldtrip for some of the students interested in GCSE Geography to Patterdale Hall in the Lake District. This would allow students to engage with a geography curriculum in the field to experience a range of topics which they will encounter if they study this subject at GCSE level and beyond. In addition to this they would also have to opportunity to take part in some outdoor activities, team building and study skills which will benefit them in a range of other curriculum areas. This will also assist your son/daughter in making their final choices for their subjects to carry forward at GCSE.

The residential fieldwork visit will depart from school on Wednesday 9 February at approximately 9.30am and return to school by Friday 11 February, 4pm. The total cost of this visit is £150. This cost includes all accommodation and food, transport to and from Patterdale Hall, and two activities which will be led by fully qualified instructors. No outdoor equipment is needed as waterproof clothing, walking boots etc. can all be hired free of charge from the centre.

Unfortunately, we can only take a maximum of 40 students on this field visit, as a result in the event of oversubscription places will be allocated to students with a genuine and keen interest in studying Geography at GCSE level. Only students with good behaviour records in school will be allowed to attend.

If you would like your child to take part in this field visit, please return the reply slip and attached EV4 consent form by Friday 5 November. A deposit of £50 will also be required by this date via SCOPAY. If you are not already registered for online payments, please contact school who will arrange for an online access code to be issued.

Payment instalment details are below.

Payment 1 (Deposit) – £50 by Friday 5 November 2021

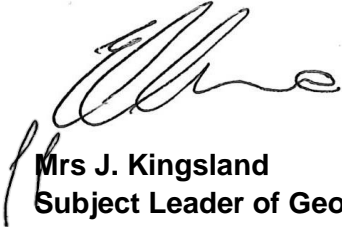
Payment 2 – £50 by Friday 3 December 2021

Payment 3 – £50 by Friday 7 January 2022

Please note that once your child's place is confirmed on the trip the deposit will become non-refundable and you may be liable for the full payment should you choose to withdraw. Your child's place on this trip is also at risk if the payment plan is not adhered to.

If you have any questions regarding this visit, please do not hesitate to contact school.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mrs J. Kingsland', written in a cursive style.

**Mrs J. Kingsland
Subject Leader of Geography**

Please complete and return to Mrs Kingsland no later than Friday 5 November

I would like my son/daughter to attend the Geography fieldtrip at Patterdale Hall

Name of student

Form Class.....

Signed Parent/Carer

Date.....

PARENTAL CONSENT / MEDICAL FORM – for a specific visit / trip

School/Group	Bedlington Academy		
Visit to / Venue			
Activities			
Pupils Name		Date of birth	

Date of Departure		Time	
Date of Return		Time	

1. General consent and indemnity (please tick)

I have received and read information the school/DCC has provided for me outlining the type of visit and I understand the purpose and nature of the activities. I understand that during the visit the group will be under the supervision of a suitably qualified and experienced member of staff.	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby undertake to indemnify the school/service, Durham County Council and the staff accompanying the group against any costs and expenses reasonably incurred by them on behalf of my child during the visit (for example, the cost of replacement food or clothing not supplied for a trip/visit). This indemnity will not extend to any claims, damages, costs, or expenses against the risk of which Durham County Council or member of staff are entitled to be indemnified under any policy of insurance.	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2. Medical Information about your child (please tick)

I agree to my son/daughter receiving medication as instructed and any emergency dental, medical or surgical treatment, including anaesthetic or blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I will inform the group leader as soon as possible of any changes in the medical or other circumstances between now and the date of the visit.	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Please list any medical conditions or prescribed medication you want the group leader to be aware of. (In special circumstances, you may wish to talk to the group leader prior to departure).

List all medical needs -

3. Signature of parent / guardian.

I am therefore willing to allow my child to take part in the proposed visit(s) activities.

Name (capitals)		Relationship to young person	
Signature		Date	

Emergency contact number –
