



13th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of the GCSE Geography course, we intend to take year 11 Geography students to Birmingham City Centre on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The purpose of this trip is to collect primary data for an investigation into the success of urban regeneration in the city. This will include activities such as land use surveys, visitor surveys and environmental quality surveys, as well as other data collection suitable to the enquiry. Students will use this experience to answer questions based on data collection methods in paper three of their GCSE Geography exams and therefore it is of high importance that students attend.

The suggested per pupil contribution is £12.00 to cover the cost of transport. This contribution is payable via ParentPay and is required by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023. In order for the trip to go ahead, it is essential that sufficient voluntary contributions are received to cover the full cost. Please note that once you have committed to a trip all monies paid will be non-refundable should your child withdraw from the trip. Should you require financial support please do contact the school for further details ([jashton@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:jashton@northleamington.co.uk))

Students can wear their own clothes however, this must be suitable for an outdoor environment. They will need to take a packed lunch or take a small amount of money to purchase lunch in the city centre. Packed lunches will be provided for students on Free School Meals and will be available for collection on the morning of the visit, please email me by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at [jashton@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:jashton@northleamington.co.uk) if you would like a Free School Meal provided. It is advisable that students do not take valuables on this trip however, if it is necessary, please ensure that your own insurance covers such items.

Educational site visits are an additional opportunity for students to support their learning. Should we have any concerns regarding a student's behaviour either prior to or in the time between signing up to the trip, that student will be withdrawn from the trip and individual parents will be notified accordingly. Any monies paid will be non-refundable unless a suitable replacement can be found and in this instance a refund will be issued minus any deposit paid.

We intend to leave school at 8.15 am and therefore students will need to be in school by 8.00 am, we will travel by coach to Birmingham City Centre and expect to leave Birmingham at 2.30 p.m. Anticipated return time to school is approximately 3.30-3.45 p.m. We will endeavour to be with all students for some parts of the day but at other times they will not be under direct supervision and will be collecting data in groups of four at four sites which include Brindley Place, the Birmingham Library, Grand Central Station and the Bullring Shopping area. At the last site, which is the Bullring Shopping area, students will be able to have some free time once all data has been collected. Within this time they will have a contact number should they need to speak to a member of staff, they must go around in groups of no less than four.

I hope these arrangements meet with your approval. Should you have any questions, then please feel free to contact Mrs Ashton. In order for your child to attend you need to give permission via ParentPay. Please fill in all the required details on ParentPay by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

Yours faithfully

J Ashton (Head of Geography)