



February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Year 10 Fieldtrip to Walton-on-the Naze on Thursday 9 June 2022

As part of their geography GCSE course, students are required to take part in two days of fieldwork; one for their physical studies and one for their human studies; these are compulsory trips. Students have already completed their human fieldwork in Stratford and are now be expected to attend Walton-on-the-Naze to complete their physical fieldwork. This will enable them to complete Paper 3, which is 30% of their final grade of their GCSE.

Students will be attending Walton-On-The-Naze beach where they will be carrying out various investigations into beach management and coastal erosion. The students will depart from St Martin's at 8.30am and will return no later than 4.30pm on that day. As the trip will take place during the school day, we are asking parents to make a voluntary contribution of £21 to cover the expense of providing the off-site activity. Payments should be made via ParentPay by Friday 29 April 2022.

Students should arrive no later than 8.00am for registers to be taken and groups to be sorted. Students arriving by school bus will be directed straight to coaches if no other alternative can be arranged.

Students are required to wear school uniform but will need to wear sensible footwear for comfort and safety. If the weather is warm, it will be necessary to wear sun cream and a sun hat as we will be outside and on the beach for most of the day. Students will be expected to behave responsibly in line with the St Martin's behaviour policy.

Students will require a packed lunch and drinks for this trip (no fizzy drinks please). **Due to some students' allergy requirements it is essential that no nut products are consumed/added to lunches.**

It is important that parents realise that students will be under the direct supervision of staff at all times during this visit and staff will remain within designated areas so they are available should difficulties arise. An emergency number will be issued to the group to be used if they get separated at any time.

The group will be led by me, accompanied by five other members of staff.

Please complete the attached consent form with full medical information and dietary requirements included and return to the finance office by Friday 29 April 2022.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school on sallen@st-martins.essex.sch.uk in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Allen
Head of Geography

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