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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: A-Level Geography Dunton Hills Garden Village Trip

Congratulations your son/daughter has a place on the A-level geography trip to the Dunton Hills Garden Village development and I am pleased to say that this trip is now free of charge for all pupils attending. The date of this visit is 25 September 2019 from 9:45am until approximately 3pm. The venue for this trip is:

Dunton Hills Family Golf Centre, Tibury Road, West Horndon, Brentwood CM13 3LT

Attendance at the Dunton Hills Garden Village development is an additional studies opportunity for students undertaking A-level geography and thinking of exploring geography career options. Students will take part in a number of activities organised as part of the trip and will be expected to behave responsibly in line with the St Martin's behaviour policy. The itinerary is as follows:

- Tour of the Dunton Hills Garden Village housing development.
- Talks with career specialists from town planning and architecture.
- Design workshop with the University of Birmingham – working to design flexible community spaces.

There will be certain times when students are allowed free time. At these times they may be permitted to wander more freely, but in small groups of no less than four. Students will not be allowed to wander alone or outside of a clearly defined area or leave the group without the explicit permission of staff. It is important that parents realise that individual students will not be under the direct supervision of staff at all times during the visit although staff will remain within the 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.

Students are expected to make their own way to Dunton Hills Garden Village and meet staff there. If there are any problems with this please get in contact and I will arrange transport. The group will be led by Miss S Allen, accompanied by Mr Z Richards.

Students will need to wear comfortable clothing and flat footwear; as well as bring their own packed lunch; this is essential as there are no facilities for purchasing food at the housing development.

During this trip Brentwood Council have requested permission to take photographs of students working during this trip which will be used for evaluation of the education liaison project in which students are participating. These photographs may be used on their website and in further resources. If you do not give photographic permission, or if you have any queries, please contact me on abaker1@st-martins.essex.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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