



Wales HIGH SCHOOL

HEADTEACHER: MR. G. DI'IASIO

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November 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 12 Geology Visit – Monday, 3rd February to Saturday, 8th February 2020

In order to complete an A Level course in Geology, the Examination Board require candidates to undertake 4 days of fieldwork. Fieldwork is an essential aspect of the A Level practical endorsement as well as a valuable tool to consolidate learning and prepare for written examinations. To this end, the school has agreed to contribute towards the cost of a field course to be held at the Lochranza Centre, Isle of Arran, Scotland. The dates of the fieldwork are Monday, 3rd February to Saturday, 8th February 2020 inclusive. The Lochranza Centre has acquired a well-respected reputation as a Field Study Centre of excellent quality.

The course will require students to work outdoors in a fieldwork environment and suitable attire will be required. Detailed information will be given to students nearer the time. Students will be directly accompanied and supervised by staff at all times. The Lochranza Centre provides full Public Liability Insurance when students are on site. In addition, the school has arranged further insurance cover for each student, which includes cover for Medical and Associated Expenses, Personal Accident and Personal Effects and money.

I am delighted to record that, although the full cost of this venture is over £300, the parental contribution has been reduced to £275. If you have difficulty in finding this amount, please do not hesitate to make contact with the Finance Department in school. A non-returnable deposit of £50 is required by Tuesday, 26th November 2019 and another £50 by Friday, 13th December 2019. The final balance of £175 is required by Friday, 12th January 2020. **Would you please complete and return the attached form, along with the £50 deposit in a sealed envelope with your child's name, Tutor Group and 'Geology Visit 2020' written clearly on the front, to the Finance Office by Tuesday, 26th November 2019.** The Government's Education Reform of 1988 no longer permits our School to make a mandatory charge for this venture as it takes place mainly during school hours. We are seeking a voluntary contribution of £275 to cover our costs. Your son/daughter will still be entitled to participate, even if you do not wish to make this contribution. However, all parents must be aware that if contributions are not sufficient to meet our costs, we will have no alternative but to cancel the venture.

In the event of an alternate financial arrangement being required, such as installments, please contact Mrs C Brookes (Finance Manager) where appropriate advice can be given. Anyone assessed as being eligible for 16-19 Bursary Fund, will have their deposit returned to them and any subsequent payments for this visit will be funded by the school.

The attached form will also allow staff to ensure diets, allergies and other special needs are considered and that in the unlikely event of an incident, it will enable us to seek appropriate medical help. Nearer the time a full schedule and an emergency out of hours contact number will be provided should you need to contact staff on the visit.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the school telephone number.

Yours sincerely

Mr A McNulty
Head of Geology



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Name of Student:	TG:
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I wish my son/daughter to attend the Geology Field Course and enclose a non-returnable deposit of £50 in cash* or have paid online* (* please tick as appropriate).

I also understand that an additional £50 is due by Friday, 13th December 2019 and a final balance of £175 by Friday, 17th January 2020.

I have noted below any relevant medical and dietary information below and give my consent also that in the unlikely event of an accident, medical treatment and anaesthetics may be used if necessary.

Medicines being taken:	Allergies:
Dietary restrictions:	Home Doctor:
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date:
	Emergency Contact Telephone:

Please return this slip along with payment to the Finance Office by Tuesday, 26th November 2019.