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10th January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Lake District and Local Fieldtrips**

As you are aware, your child is studying the Geography AQA GCSE course. As part of the course, all students are required to attend a field trip to the Lake District. The trip is a river study, and your child is required to collect data for their GCSE exam. This will also enhance their learning and personal development of the subject. The trips will take place on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May, Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June, Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July and Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, however, your child will only attend one of the days. We will let your child know which day they are attending during their geography lesson.

In addition to this, students will attend another mini fieldtrip. This will consist of a short walk from the Academy to look at some local housing developments and the impacts that they may have on the economy and the environment. This will take place during one of their geography lessons.

On the day of their fieldtrip please can students arrive at the Academy at 8.00 am. We will return to school at approximately 4.00 pm. We ask that all students make a voluntary contribution of £20 to cover the cost of the transport and staffing. If we do not receive enough voluntary contributions, unfortunately the trip will not be able to go ahead.

## As the trip is a river study students will require the following:

- A packed lunch and plenty to drink (preferably water);
- Activity clothing: light-weight clothes, eg tracksuit, leggings, jumpers, t-shirts etc. (These clothes will get
  wet, so please, no heavy clothing as it is not appropriate);
- Wellies would be most appropriate but old trainers may be used. (Remember your feet are going to get wet!);
- A spare set of clothes and towel to change into at the end of each day;
- A warm/waterproof jacket or sun cream depending on the weather as geography students we should be able to read a forecast!

As stated, this is a basic but adequate list, if you feel more is practical or required, please feel free to pack accordingly for each day. It must be stressed that it is 'field work' so practical clothing is the best as opposed to 'fashionable' attire. All specialist and safety equipment will be provided by the school, and we do have an amount of outdoor equipment (fleeces/wellies etc) that can be borrowed by prior arrangement.

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Please confirm your child's attendance by completing the reply slip below. All payments must be paid via ParentPay, if you are unable to access ParentPay, please contact the Finance department.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

A Richardson

Mr Andrew Richardson Head of Geography

Permission Slip – Please return your slip to Mr Richardson	
Lake District and Carlisle Fieldtrips, <b>Tuesday</b> , <b>14</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>May</b> , <b>Tuesday</b> , <b>4</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>June</b> , <b>Tuesday</b> , <b>2</b> <sup>nd</sup> <b>July or Thursday</b> , <b>4</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>July</b> and a local 'mini' field trip which will take place in one of their Geography lessons.	
I give permission for my child: to attend the Lake District and local trip and will pay a voluntary contributi	
I confirm that medical and contact information are as currently held by the	e school.
Signed Parent/Carer:	Date: