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Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to inform you of an essential GCSE Geography trip for Year 11 Geography students taking place on **Tuesday the 12th of January.**

GCSE Geography Fieldwork: York
The GCSE Geography specification states that students need to undertake **two geographical enquiries**, each of which must include the use of primary data, collected as part of a fieldwork exercise. They will be assessed on this in paper 3, geographical applications in June 2027. For the second enquiry, data will be collected during a day trip to York. This will provide students with the opportunity to complete data collection activities to investigate the impacts of tourism in York as well as the opportunity to see the flood defences used in the city which is our case study for the Rivers topic in paper 1.

Date and Times
The students will carry out their data collection trip on Tuesday 12th of January.
Students must be in school for our normal start time and should meet at 8:40am in the blue dining hall. The students will then arrive back to school before the end of the school day and will be able to make their usual way home. They will be able to catch their regular bus.

What to bring and wear
Students should bring either money to purchase their own lunch or a packed lunch as well as enough drink to last the day and writing equipment. Students in receipt of free school meals will receive a school packed lunch.

The day involves a lot of walking around the city centre. For this trip non-school uniform is allowed. Your child must wear **appropriate footwear** (such as walking boots/trainers). Please ensure your child is dressed suitably for the cold weather, including **warm and waterproof clothing.** It is essential that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather conditions on the day as we will be outside all day and will be exposed to the weather conditions. **Students who arrive on the day with unsuitable clothing will not be able to attend the trip**.

Please note that should weather conditions be deemed unsuitable, the trip would be cancelled and rearranged – notice would be given at the earliest possible time.

Permission and Cost
In order to cover transport and parking costs, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £10 per student. To secure your child's place, please provide your consent by making payment on Arbor by the 18th of December. As part of the visit, students may need to use public toilet facilities in York. Some toilets charge a 50p entry fee, so we kindly ask that students bring 50p in cash on the day of the trip **Please also ensure that your child's emergency contacts and medication information are up to date in Arbor.**

Should we not receive enough voluntary contributions, the trip may not be able to go ahead. We would like all students to be able to access school trips but understand that the cost may be prohibitive for some families. If you would like to discuss the different options of payment and support available, please email finance at rsfinance@rs.rklt.co.uk by the 18th of December.

Yours sincerely

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