



Ripon Grammar School

20 June 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Re: Yr11 Residential Fieldwork – Cranedale Centre

As part of the AQA GCSE course for Geography students have to carry out up to two days of fieldwork. To fulfil the fieldwork requirements, we are taking the students to the Cranedale Centre in Malton. This visit ensures the students have a large variation of fieldwork data and data collection methods to enable them to complete on the elements of the Paper 3 GCSE Geography exam relating to fieldwork and skills.

The geography field trip will involve an overnight stay and will take place on **Monday 23 – Tuesday 24 October 2023**

- Day 1: The students will depart from Ripon Grammar School at **8.30am on Monday 23 October** to carry out fieldwork on the urban environment.
- Day 2: **Tuesday 24 October** students will go to a river system to investigate fluvial river processes. The students will **return to school at approximately 4.30pm**.
- The students will be staying overnight at the Cranedale Centre, Malton YO17 8DB

As the times are outside of the normal school day we would appreciate your cooperation in ensuring the students are safely able to be dropped off and picked up at these times. It has been essential to extend the day due to travel time and maximise the value of the trip in meeting the needs of the GCSE. As the students are staying in Malton for one night they need to bring an overnight bag containing a change of clothes, sleepwear, toiletries, any medication they require and a towel. Students will be required to bring appropriate clothing for the field trip as weather conditions can be unpredictable and footpaths can be uneven. Therefore, please ensure students have suitable footwear including walking boots/shoes, waterproof clothing and rucksack. Breakfast, lunch and evening meals are included in the price of this trip.

The total cost of the trip is £177.50, to pay for the coach and overnight stay; this can be paid in full or in instalments. An initial payment of £77.50 requires payment by Friday 14 July 2023 with the total balance due on Friday 4 September 2023, **to be paid via ParentPay**. By paying via ParentPay you also give consent to your son/daughter attending the trip. The trip will be cancelled if insufficient funds are collected.

Thank you so much for your cooperation in preparing the students for this valuable fieldwork. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries regarding the trip. Moreover, if there are any issues concerning payment, please contact me at the school in confidence as some families may be entitled to financial support email: wainwrigtr@ripongrammar.com.

Yours sincerely

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