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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

October 2020

## **RE: GCSE Geography Field Trip to The River Eea in the Lake District**

### **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

As part of the GCSE course, geography students are required to carry out fieldwork. To fulfil this requirement, we are taking the students to **the River Eea** in the Lake District. During the visit the class will be collecting river data using a variety of collection methods to enable them to write up an independent fieldwork investigation on their return to school.

The students will depart from Ripon Grammar School at **8.00am on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020** and will **return to school at approximately 5.30pm**.

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.

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 coat/trousers, a clipboard, a rucksack and layers of warm clothing. Students will also be required to bring a packed lunch. If your son/ daughter would like to go into the river (it is a shallow river), they will be required to bring wellington boots. This is not essential, as someone in each working group will have a pair.

The total cost of the trip is **£15.00**; this is required by Friday 16th October 2020 **to be paid via ParentPay**. By paying via ParentPay you also give consent to your son/daughter attending the trip.

Please be assured that we have completed a comprehensive risk assessment for the trip with the addition of Covid-19 as a risk. We will require students to wear a face covering whilst onboard the minibus and students will also be reminded to maintain a safe social distance whilst on the trip, although the area we are visiting is rural and it is unlikely that the students will encounter any members of the public. We will also be providing ample opportunities for students to wash and sanitise their hands.

Thank you so much for your cooperation in preparing the students for this vital fieldwork. Please do not hesitate to contact me or 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 [colville-robinsn@ripongrammar.co.uk](mailto:colville-robinsn@ripongrammar.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

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