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Dear Parent/Carer

A Level Geography London Trip 2021

The A level geography field trip to London for this academic year will take place on Tuesday 13th July 2021.

To enhance the learning of the geography specification, the department will be organising a fieldwork day to London covering the main human geography themes of urban regeneration and a changing sense of place. We will be visiting several different parts of the city, including Brixton, Canary Wharf, Shoreditch, the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park and Stratford City Development. We require students to meet at East Grinstead train station at 8.45am and we aim to return there by around 7.00pm that evening.

The field trip to London has been designed to ensure that potential exposure to Covid-19 is kept to a minimum. Most of the day, we will be visiting open, well ventilated places to reduce any risk to exposure. When travelling on public transport, we will observe the travel instructions displayed, such as the wearing of face masks and maintaining social distance. Students are therefore reminded to bring face masks and hand sanitiser.

The field trip will be run by myself, and students will further be accompanied by an additional members of staff from the geography department. While participation in the course is technically optional, it is strongly recommended as it is an opportunity to bring the class-taught geography to life and is tailored specifically to helping students succeed in their exams. We will of course cover the necessary material during lessons as well.

There is no upfront fee for this trip, but students will be expected to book their train tickets on the day at the station in small groups. This allows us to take advantage of the group bookings' discounts, which means that the cost of the train ticket including use of London transport is reduced to £15.25 per person. Students should also bring a packed lunch/snacks for the day and/or some money to cover the cost of a take-away from Brixton market. Some additional funds for incidental costs are also recommended, while all students should bring their full water bottle. If you find it difficult to meet this cost, you are invited to contact me in confidence to discuss this.

To indicate participation of the field trip, please confirm by email at dgerretsen@sackvilleschool.org.uk no later than Tuesday 6th July 2021.

Insurance for all school trips is arranged through West Sussex County Council. Full details of the policy can be found on our website at http://www.sackville.w-sussex.sch.uk/?page_id=26728.

Peanuts or peanut related products are not allowed to be taken on any school visit.

If you have any further questions, then do please get in touch at dgerretsen@sackvilleschool.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mr D Gerretsen

Teacher of Geography











