



Ripon Grammar School

10 February 2025

Dear Parent or Guardian

Field Trip to Yorkshire Coastline and Leeds, Wednesday 21 March and Thursday 22 March 2025

As part of the Edexcel Geography AS Level, the lower sixth form students must carry out fieldwork to develop practical skills which will prepare them for the fieldwork questions within both papers of the summer examinations. In the examination candidates are required to refer to fieldwork undertaken, and fieldwork methods carried out firsthand. The fieldwork has been planned to visit two contrasting environments over two consecutive days, which will fulfil the criteria of the examination questions. The programme of study for the two days includes an investigation into Coastal Processes and Coastal Management along the Holderness Coast in two locations and a study of the success of Regeneration Strategies which have been introduced in Leeds. This will enable practical application of fieldwork methods whilst developing knowledge further and consolidating learning of topics taught throughout this year.

The field Trip is on **Wednesday 21 and Thursday 22 March 2025**. The fieldwork is split over two days, returning back to school each day. The details of each day is as follows:

- **Day 1:** On **Wednesday 21 March** students are required to arrive at school at **8.15am** to depart from the Clock tower at 8.30am. We will travel by coach to Flamborough Head. Students will carry out their fieldwork relating to their physical Geography on day 1 and we will **return to school at 5.30pm**. As a result of this late return to school please would you make arrangements for your son/daughter to be collected safely from school.
- **Day 2:** On **Thursday 22 March**, students should arrive at school at the normal time and the group **will depart from the Clock tower at 9.15am**. We will again travel by coach to Clarence Dock in Leeds and take a tour of the regeneration sites that exist in the city collecting primary data for the human geography side of the course along the way. We **will return to school by 3.50pm** to ensure the students are able to catch school buses if necessary.

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, warm clothing, and a clipboard and rucksack. Students will also be required to bring a packed lunch on both days, although there are food outlets available on the second day if that would be more convenient.

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The total cost of the trip is £39.50 per student, to pay for the coaches. It is requested that a voluntary contribution is made via ParentPay by **Friday 7 March 2025**. The trip will be cancelled if insufficient voluntary contributions are received. By paying via ParentPay you also give consent to your son/daughter attending the trip.

Thank you so much for your cooperation in preparing the students for this vital 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 wainwricht@ripongrammar.com.

Yours sincerely

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