

May 2019



Dear Parent/Carer

Y8 Biology and Geography Fieldwork Day

Tuesday 18th June 8S & 8L Wednesday 19th June 8V & 8R Thursday 20th June 8E & 8D

We believe that fieldwork is a vital component of both Geography and Biology and that the students need to develop these skills. To enable this we have planned a cross-curricular day to the Peak District to investigate various aspects of the Y8 curriculum.

Immediately following registration, groups will depart from school on a hired coach and the school minibus. They will investigate tourist accessibility in Castleton and carry out ecology fieldwork techniques. The students will return to school by 3.30 pm.

The students will need to be appropriately equipped for a day of fieldwork, this means sensible footwear, (robust shoes, wellington boots, trainers or walking boots), a waterproof coat and warm clothes should it be cold - hats and suncream should it be hot! Any students who are not appropriately equipped for the day will remain in school and attend Y8 lessons for health and safety reasons. The students will need to bring a packed lunch (provided by school for students who have free school meals). They will need to bring any workbooks and equipment as requested by subject staff and a carrier bag to keep their work dry. During the day, students are required to work hard and follow all instructions to ensure that they safely collect all the information required.

If the trip is to go ahead a voluntary contribution of **£12.50** will be required. This covers the cost of coach hire/minibus driver and insurance. If not enough contributions are forthcoming the trip may have to be cancelled. If payment is a barrier to any pupils, please contact Mr C Gray in the first instance. Financial assistance is available at the Headteacher's discretion.

Please complete the reply slip and return it in an envelope with **cash or cheque for £12.50 (made payable to Silverdale School) clearly marked with the student's name & form, Y8 Geography/Biology Field Trip to Student Reception by Monday 3rd June at the latest.** You can pay online using a very secure website called ParentPay or in cash at local stores where you see the PayPoint logo. If you would like a copy of your unique activation username and password please email parentpay@silverdale.sheffield.sch.uk stating your child's name and year group or contact the finance office at finance@silverdale.sheffield.sch.uk.

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Yours sincerely

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SILVERDALE SCHOOL - Y8 Geography/Biology Castleton Fieldwork

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Name of Student: _____ Form: _____

I give permission for my child to participate in the Y8 Geography / Biology Fieldwork trip and enclose a voluntary contribution of **£12.50**.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer Date: _____

Emergency Contact Name and Number: _____

Medical Information: _____

Deadline for payments Monday 3rd June