

April 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 12 Geography Fieldwork 15-16 June – Yorkshire Dales

As part of their A-level Geography course, your son/daughter is required to complete four days of compulsory fieldwork training. This will equip them with the practical skills to conduct their own independent investigation and allow them to experience key course aspects in the “real” world. It will also be an opportunity for student enrichment.

New College Bradford is planning two days’ residential fieldwork in the Yorkshire Dales, to take place from Thursday 15 June to Friday 16 June. Accommodation will be in shared single sex dormitories at Ingleton Youth Hostel, with accompanying male and female staff in separate rooms. Please see <https://www.ingletonhostel.co.uk/>

- **Day One: We will travel from Bradford to Skipton, to investigate why Skipton is the “Gateway to the Dales” as part of the *Changing Places* module. Moving on to Settle, we will consider its place as a farming and tourist town.**
- **Day Two: In Ingleton, we will focus on the *Water and Carbon Cycle* module. The group will complete the 4.3 miles (7km) Ingleton Waterfalls Trail as part of a wider investigation and carry out small scale surveys. Please see <https://www.ingletonwaterfallstrail.co.uk/> Returning to Bradford**

College will meet the full cost of the trip; dietary requirements will be catered for and all meals provided from Thursday evening to Friday lunchtime. Students will require a packed lunch for the first day and possibly a small amount of spending money (no more than £20 should be necessary). Alcohol will not be permitted on the trip.

Students should arrive at College by no later than 8.15am on Thursday 15 June, in time for departure at 8.30am and we plan to return by 4.30pm on Friday 16 June. Although specialist equipment is not required, students are advised to bring the following:

- One full change of clothes, including spare under garments and sleepwear.
- Waterproof coat, warm jumper (waterproof trousers, if owned).
- Woolly hat, gloves, sun hat, sunglasses, sun cream (for use outdoors).
- Walking boots, or a pair of sturdy outdoor trainers (as well as indoor footwear).
- Any personal items, including wash kit, towel, medication, spectacles.
- Mobile phone/camera (if owned), maximum £20 spending money, student ID.
- Packed lunch for Day One, water bottle, small rucksack and larger overnight bag.
- Notepad, pens and pencils.

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An additional consent form must be completed, including details of any relevant health conditions, medication and dietary requirements, and returned by no later than Friday 26 May 2023.

I hope you will permit your son/daughter to attend this unique opportunity for us to carry out some geographical fieldwork in the Yorkshire Dales.

Yours sincerely

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