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Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Geography Castleton Residential Trip July 2025

We are very excited to offer our Year 9 students a place on our Geography residential trip to Castleton in the Peak District, which will be taking place in July 2025. The trip will run from 02/07/2025 to 04/07/2025. We have 50 places on the trip that are being offered to current Year 9 students, the remaining allocation is being offered to Year 8 students. The total cost of the trip will be £195 per pupil, and this includes the travel to and from school, accommodation for two nights at the YHA Castleton and all meals during the stay. (Please note, if your child is eligible for a discounted rate due to FSM or PP, the trip would be 50% of the original price.)

The aim of the trip is to provide your child with the opportunity to see the Geography they have learned in their lessons in action, to practice their fieldwork skills and add depth to the geographical knowledge they have acquired so far. The trip also provides your child with an opportunity to develop their personal skills and character outside of the Academy's Geography curriculum. Attending this trip will allow students to develop their social skills and personal relationships as they spend time together away from the academy, as well as interacting with the people of Castleton. They will build their resilience as they work as a team on problem solving and answering important geographical questions. It really is an opportunity not to be missed. **If your child is considering taking Geography as one of their GCSE options we really would encourage them to apply for a place on the trip.** It would be admirable to see students who wanted to take Geography as a GCSE taking the offer of this opportunity. Completing fieldwork and answering geographical questions is something that is assessed as part of the Geography GCSE specification so this visit is a fantastic opportunity to gain some additional insight into this.

The purpose of this letter is to collect interest from those who are interested in being a part of this trip. At this moment all that would be required would be for you to confirm if this is an opportunity you would like for your child or not. **To do this you must declare your interest by completing the Online Form at the link below; the deadline for this is 11th October 2024.**

Castleton Field Trip Register of Interest

There are only a limited number of places for the trip and if required we may have to make decisions on place allocation based upon your child's attendance and behaviour in school. We are offering this opportunity to initially express interest as we are expecting this to be a popular trip.

If allocated a place on the trip, a deposit of £37 would be required by 1st November 2024 to secure your child's place. All payments will be made through Parent Pay and there will be a payment plan available to enable the total cost to be paid in instalments before the trip takes place.

If you have any questions regarding the trip please do not hesitate to contact us via enquiries@stockport-academy.org.

Yours sincerely,

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