

4th September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Y11 GCSE Geography Fieldtrip to Fleetwood & Blackpool

The school has organised a Geography trip for all Year 11 pupils to Fleetwood & Blackpool. This is a compulsory part of the GCSE Geography course. Pupils will collect primary data needed for Unit 3 of the GCSE Geography course.

The trip details are as follows:

Date of Trip: Friday 2nd October 2026

Departure Time: 8.45am, students must be in school at normal time, they will register with their form and then make their way to the refectory

Means of Transport: Coach

Arrival Time Home: 3.30-4pm approximately. You are responsible for making safe arrangements with your child to travel home once we arrive back at school.

Cost of Trip: £16.00 to be paid **by ParentPay before 1st October 2026**. We are asking for this to help us to meet the transport costs. This is a voluntary contribution, but we need to cover the costs to enable the trip to run.

Consent to attend

Consent for your child to attend must be given under the trips section of the Arbor app and payment must be paid via ParentPay before the deadline above.

Clothing

Students are permitted to wear their own clothing, however, please ensure that they dress appropriately for the weather, with suncream and a hat for sunny weather and a raincoat should it rain.

As we will be on the beach, it is essential that they wear lace up trainers/boots (no crocs or canvas shoes please).

Food

Students should either bring a packed lunch, or money to buy food once we get there.

Students who are eligible for free school meals will be provided with a grab bag.

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Medical/Dietary Needs

We will use the information previously provided on the school's Arbor system in relation to medical conditions or dietary requirements so please check the Arbor app to ensure that these are up to date, along with any contact telephone numbers in case we should need to contact you during the trip.

Students requiring an inhaler or emergency rescue medication such as EpiPens should ensure that they bring their own medication and carry it with them at all times.

No other medication can be carried by students. If any medication is likely to be needed during the trip, this should be handed to the trip leader, in the original, named box with a completed medical consent form which can be collected from reception or Mr Farquhar should you need one.

We would ask that you please check the weather the morning of the trip and provide your child with suncream if required. Staff will have a limited supply of Piz Buin suncream (which is formulated for sensitive skin) and pupils can apply this themselves if needed. If you do not wish for your child to be offered this, due to potential allergise, you MUST let us know please.

Behaviour

Your child is expected to behave appropriately and follow all instructions given throughout the activity. If your child acts irresponsibly or dangerously, they will be removed from the activity. Furthermore, if your child's behaviour in the lead-up to the trip is not of an acceptable standard, the school reserves the right to withdraw their place on the trip.

Other information

The day will involve walking through an urban area and collecting data on the beach next to the sea. **Pupils should not go into the sea.** Some data collection will be remotely supervised, but teachers will always be within close vicinity. During the remote supervision part of the day, students must stay in groups of no fewer than 3-4 people and will be provided with the school emergency number should they need emergency assistance.

We hope that your child will embrace the opportunity to join us on this trip. Should you have any queries, please contact the trip leader by email: kerry.finley@stockport-academy.org.

Yours faithfully,

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