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Headteacher: Mr M Wignall

March 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

### Year 10 Geography Field Trip – Wednesday 8 May 2019

The GCSE Geography course requires students to undertake two days of fieldwork outside of the classroom environment. The work done on these two days and in subsequent lessons will then be examined in Paper 3 in Year 11, which is worth 30% of the final grade.

The first of these two days will be on the date shown above. We will leave school at 9am and will travel by coach to Seven Sisters Country Park. We will return to school by 3pm. Students will be guided around the Country Park and collect data using various methods, including questionnaires on the sustainable management of the country park. They will at times work unsupervised in small groups as part of their investigation.

Students will be undertaking this work in a variety of terrain. They will need:

- Sturdy footwear and appropriate comfortable clothing including weatherproofs and sun cream as the weather may be changeable. (School uniform is **not** required).
- Writing equipment and a clipboard, or something to rest on, and a plastic folder to protect their work in case of bad weather.
- A packed lunch and plenty of drinks, but not fizzy bottles or cans. There is a small café at the Country Park where students may be able to buy snacks and drinks, however it is fairly expensive and we may not be there until well after lunch time, therefore they should not rely on buying their main meal from there but ensure they have food with them for the duration.

The cost of the trip is £12, which will cover the cost of the coach journey and all necessary insurances. If your child is in receipt of free school meals, or your child is CLA or adopted, you can contact the school for financial assistance, via the signatory of this letter. If your child is not CLA and covering the cost of this trip will be difficult for you, or if you would like to pay in instalments, please do not hesitate to contact me at [acorcoran@downlands.org](mailto:acorcoran@downlands.org)

Please pay online by Friday 26 April via your child's account and ensure the reply slip and medical information form is returned to their Geography teacher in school. If you are unable to pay online, please send a cheque with the reply slip payable to Downlands Community School.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours faithfully

Mrs A Corcoran  
Head of Teaching & Learning/Geography



Community School of the Year 2015





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Please return to your Geography Teacher

Students Name: ..... Tutor Group: .....

Medical Conditions that may affect the trip: .....

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Emergency contact number: Name.....

Tel No.: .....

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**Year 10 Brighton Geography Field Trip – Wednesday 8 May 2019**

Please return to your Geography teacher by Friday 26 April

Students Name: ..... Tutor Group: .....

- I have paid £12 on-line
- I enclose a cheque for £12 made payable to Downlands Community School

*I agree that my child may participate in the above activity. The school has taken out a School Journey Insurance Policy underwritten by AIG for each pupil attending this activity, though claims arising from a pre-existing condition are exempt. The policy includes fixed levels of benefits in respect of Personal Accident and Personal Property. A copy of the policy schedule is available upon request. Any claim made under this policy does not affect your statutory rights. In respect of legal liability please note the school cannot be held responsible for any loss unless negligent.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

