

4th November 2021

**Parents Guardians
of TQEA Students**

Dear Parents / Guardians

Interest letter for Geography trip to Jurassic Coast

We are delighted to offer our Geography students a very exciting opportunity. In July 2022 The Queen Elizabeth Academy will be embarking on a residential field trip to the Jurassic Coast, Dorset. The trip is open to year 7 students.

The benefits of residential field trips are becoming increasingly recognised as an important part of learning and development. The trip will help reinforce classroom learning and bring the text book alive, which in turn should translate into students being inspired. Fieldwork will also help them in becoming a fantastic geographer by helping them investigate land formations, problem solve, carry out research and team building.

The 3 day trip will be organised by Cumulus Outdoors, our chosen UK tour operator who specialise in student trips and tailor-made activity days for school students. For your peace of mind they are a leading UK travel company and have a 5 star excellent rating on trip advisor. They are accredited by the Duke of Edinburgh, and have been awarded the Quality badge by 'learning outside of the classroom'. To learn more about the company, visit www.cumulusoutdoors.com

We hope to include in our itinerary:

- Day 1: Arrive and formulate a physical investigation of erosion processes in Lulworth Cove and Durdle Door.
- Day 2: Activities which will include 2 of either team building, rafting, kayaking, fishing, archery, fishing, rope climbing, or paddle boarding
- Day 3: Visit nearby Lyme Regis OR Bournemouth and investigate how humans have impacted the physical landscape.

Staff members planned to be supervising the trip will be the Geography department, which includes myself, Mrs Gibson, and Miss Johnson. More staff will be announced nearer to the time.

The approximate cost of the trip will be £175

N.B. This price is subject to change according to the number of participants and availability of services at the time of booking.

The price is currently based on 40 pupils going on the trip and this includes: travel, accommodation and full board food and all activities. It does not include spending money.

If you would like your son or daughter to attend, please complete the relevant permission guidance on ParentPay accompanied by a non-refundable deposit of £45 no later than 15/11/21. We recommend you return this as soon as possible to avoid disappointment as we do have limited spaces.

If your child is pupil premium and you would like some support for your child to attend or if you have any other questions about the trip please contact me via email g.brown@tgea.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G Brown', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr G Brown
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