

7<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Parents and Carers**  
**Y10 Geography Students**



**The Queen Elizabeth  
Academy**

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Dear Parent and Carers

### **Year 10 GCSE Geography Fieldwork**

As part of your child's Geography GCSE course, each student has to complete two pieces of independent investigative fieldwork. The activities will enable students to put geographical skills into practice as well as supporting the students in completing important aspects of paper 3 sat by the students that makes up 35% of the final grade. Our study involves investigating the environmental quality and regeneration of the Central Business District of Birmingham City.

The aim of the fieldwork is for students to test hypotheses and complete an enquiry-based investigation on how different sites within the centre of Birmingham city have been redeveloped through a planned regeneration project and if this has resulted in an improved environment and experience in a major city.

We will be conducting a land use survey in the city centre, as well as completing environmental surveys, traffic and pedestrian counts and local questionnaires. These will take place at several sites including the Bull Ring, Mail Box and Grand Central station. The trip will take place on one of 2 days in March. We will be travelling by coach and will leave school at 9.00am and return to school for approximately 3.00pm. Please make the necessary arrangements for your child to be collected from the school site should the trip overrun.

The cost of the trip is £5. This is to cover expenses including transportation and equipment hire. This can be completed by ParentPay, please quote 'Geography field trip' when making payment. Students should come to school in normal school uniform, as the activities are all based outside. Suitable clothing and waterproof coats will be required and depending on the weather, sun cream or warm layers. This is a working day so students will need their writing equipment.

It is recommended that students bring a packed lunch, however there will be an opportunity built into the day where they can purchase food at the Bull Ring. Students in receipt of a free school meal will be provided with a packed lunch. It is also important that the students have plenty of drinks if it is warm.

For your child to take part in this trip, [please click here to complete our trip medical form](#). Your child will be attending the trip on **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022**.

If you would like to speak to me about any of the details for the required trip, please contact me by emailing [g.brown@tgea.org.uk](mailto:g.brown@tgea.org.uk)

Thank you, in advance, for your support.

Yours sincerely

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