



ST JOHN'S SCHOOL

SIDMOUTH, UNITED KINGDOM

Slapton Ley Field Studies Trip Tuesday 25th – Friday 28th September

21st September 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Here are some general reminders about next week's Geography field trip, a timetable of activities whilst at Slapton and information about the follow up work.

Kit: I wish to stress the need for warm clothing as we will be out all day, whatever the weather, and pupils will need to keep warm, especially when we are on Dartmoor. Feet in particular can get cold, so thick warm socks are vital and a woolly hat and a pair of gloves must be taken. (I have spares so please email me if you wish to borrow some).

Wellington boots and waterproofs (coats and trousers) are essential; the centre provides them but pupils may find their own more comfortable. Please name any items brought.

Pocket money: Pocket money is not necessary but if you wish to provide some the maximum is £10. There is a small tuck shop on site but everyone is fed well at Slapton so extra food is not needed. Pupils will be responsible for their own money.

Electronic devices: Pupils are encouraged to take photos for their coursework and so can have their mobiles throughout the day however the normal school rules about appropriate use apply. I will also be taking photos so it is not essential that pupils have their own. All devices will be collected in at bedtime (10pm) and returned to pupils in the morning (7am).

It should be stressed that the school and the centre are not responsible for any damage or loss to personal belongings so I strongly advise that pupils remember this when deciding what electronic devices to bring.

Behaviour: Even though we are away from St John's, our school's behaviour policy still applies and any pupil failing to meet our expectations will be returned to school at your expense and no refund for the trip will be given.

Timetable of activities: as you can see from the attached timetable, we are very busy whilst away.

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Follow up work: I have attached details about how the field work will be followed up (including the deadlines for coursework).

Please could you reply by email to confirm that you have read this letter and the attachments and understand the following:-

You are aware of the situation regarding electronic devices, valuables and pocket money.

You are aware that your child must abide by the school's behaviour policy and that he/she would be returned at your expense, with no refund, if he/she fails to do so.

You are aware of the coursework deadlines if your child is entered for the coursework paper.

Thank you; I do appreciate that there is a lot to read.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely,

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