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Dear Parent / Carer

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Re: Year 11 Geography fieldwork March 2020

As part of your child's GCSE Geography course they must experience carrying out fieldwork. Students are expected to carry out fieldwork on two separate occasions – once about Physical Geography and the second about Human Geography. The Physical Geography fieldwork was completed last summer in Malham and it is now time to prepare for the Human Geography fieldwork. Our focus for this work is going to be urban Geography and more specifically to investigate how environmental quality varies across York. Students will be expected to collect both quantitative and qualitative data in specific locations across the city. They will be based in teaching classes, but will often work in smaller sub-groups so that they all get to experience the fieldwork for themselves. The students will then analyse this information back at School and they will be directly assess about this on their Paper 3. Students will also develop their knowledge and understanding for the *Urban Change in the UK* part of the course.

Each teaching class will follow a prescribed route with which their teacher will be familiar. No specialist equipment will be needed but each student will need: a pair of walking shoes or trainers, waterproof jacket, warm layers, warm hat, gloves, clip board / folder to lean on, pencils, pens, packed lunch, drink, small amount of money and rucksack. Bringing a mobile phone that is used for the purpose of recording fieldwork information is fine, but it is the student's own responsibility to look after it and use it properly e.g. to take photos; using the GPS to locate the sites or using a decibel app to measure noise pollution.

Please see the table below to see which day your child will carry out the fieldwork. It is important that students stay in these teaching groups, as the write up back in class will reflect what each individual class did on the fieldwork day.

Thursday 12 th March	Friday 13 th March
11A1 Miss Garland	11C1 Mr Hickling
11A2 Miss Brady	11C2 Miss Brady
11B1 Mr Morris	11C3 Miss Goodall / Mrs Lacy
11D1 Mr Hickling	

Students should meet on the basketball courts in their Geography classes at **8.50am** on the correct day. We will wait for the school buses to arrive if it is after this time. We will arrive back at Fulford School by the normal finish time of **3.25pm** and if appropriate we may get back for period 5 to start the write up.



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If you agree for your son / daughter to participate on the trip, please would you complete and return the consent form below in a sealed envelope to the School Office by **Friday 7th February**. This is a great educational opportunity for your child and I hope that he / she is able to attend.

Please note: all students have access to our extra-curricular activities and reasonable adjustments will be made to ensure each student's full inclusion in this trip. Please contact Mrs Mehta, if you think that this may be needed for your child.

If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr P. Hickling
Curriculum Leader for Geography

I give permission for my son / daughter to attend the Geography fieldtrip in York in March.

Student name: _____ Form: _____

Parent/Carer Signature: _____