

16 October 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

GCSE GEOGRAPHY - LIVERPOOL FIELDWORK TRIP NOVEMBER 2024

Your child is invited to attend a trip to Liverpool, the second of two compulsory Geography fieldwork visits. The dates for this trip are **Tuesday, 12 November 2024 and Wednesday, 13 November.**

The aim of the fieldwork trip is to study several urban sites to test set hypotheses about the urban area of Liverpool. The trip involves testing whether the environmental quality of Liverpool improves as you move along an urban transect into the centre of Liverpool, and if the land use function increases. This ties into the Changing Cities module studied in Year 10 and prepares students for the Paper 3 fieldwork GCSE paper.

The day will comprise of visits to a number of zones within the Liverpool city structure, terminating in a visit to Liverpool One and the Albert Docks. Students will get some free time in both of these areas for lunch and a wander around some of the shops once they have completed their study.

The students do not need to wear uniform however, they should be smart with no hooded tops. They will also require a waterproof coat as we will be completing the work outside. Students can bring a packed lunch or choose to buy lunch in Liverpool One, but they will be limited to 40 minutes for lunch so must make sensible decisions about where to eat. They should also bring their own phone to take photos to support the write-up of the investigation and to phone the school mobile should they require our assistance during their free lunch time. There will be a designated meeting point at all times. Students will only be permitted to go in designated areas and follow the school's code of behaviour at all times. Students will be under direct supervision when we are walking through Liverpool undertaking urban transects.

We will leave school at 8:40am and return to school by 4pm. Students must either be collected or arrangements made by yourselves for their safe return home.

The **cost of the trip is £5** which can be paid through our cashless online system, SCOPay*. This cost covers printed materials and return transport from school. Parental/carer consent is also made via the SCOPay system, so please do ensure that this has been completed.

Students cannot and must not break any of the school's codes of behaviour. Illegal substances cannot be carried, used and bought whilst on the visit, this includes cigarettes, e-cigarettes and alcohol.



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Students will be working in groups of 4 or 5 on the day and will be allocated one of three minibuses to travel on which cannot be changed once set as a risk assessment and registration will have been carried out. **Mr Metcalfe and Mrs Kursitis will inform the students which one of the two dates their classes will be going out on.**

Prior to the trip, I must ask that you inform the school of any recent updates to emergency contacts and medical conditions we may not already be aware of. Please note asthma sufferers or pupils requiring medication must bring a spare inhaler/medication and hand the named/labelled items to Mr Metcalfe.

Yours faithfully



Mr P Metcalfe
Head of Humanities
Lead Practitioner for Digital Learning

*All parents have access to SCOPay, the school's online payment facility. If you need a reminder of your login, please email finance@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Further information available at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/internet-payments