



18th May 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

Geography & History Educational Visit to Falmouth & Pendennis Castle (20th to 25th June 2018)

The Geography and History departments are planning to take all Year 9 students on an educational visit to Falmouth and Pendennis Castle in June. The visit will be particularly beneficial to those who have opted to study GCSE Geography and/or History next year, but it should also prove to be an educational and enjoyable day out for those who have not. Students will spend half of the day working with the Geography team studying land use in the town centre and half of the day working with the History team exploring the history of Pendennis Castle. Students studying GCSE Geography will get the opportunity to practise data collection, presentation and analysis needed for Paper 3 in their final exams. GCSE Historians are now required to study a local site (History Around Us) and the Pendennis project will be the focus of their Paper 2 and account for 20% of their overall grade.

Students will travel by coach to Falmouth directly after registration on the nominated day (see class schedule below) and they will return to College by 3.15pm to be dismissed at the usual time. They need only bring a pencil case and a packed lunch (students receiving free school meals should collect their packed lunch from the canteen on the morning of the trip). We will supply them with everything else they need, including a clipboard, but students are still expected to wear College uniform, so we can identify them quickly in a public place, and a rainproof coat in case of inclement weather.

The class schedule is as follows:

Wednesday 20 th June	9c/1 and 9c/4
Thursday 21 st June	9h/2 and 9h/3
Friday 22 nd June	9c/2 and 9c/3
Monday 25 th June	9h/1 and 9h/4

The trip is open to every Year 9 student and we would like to take the whole year group. However, private coach hire is expensive and in order to run the trip we must ask for a voluntary contribution of £5:00 which can be made in the usual way via your online *Parentpay* account. Please note, we may have to cancel the trip if too many people do not pay the voluntary contribution. If we should have to cancel then those parents who have made a contribution will, of course, be fully refunded.

If you would like your son/daughter to participate, then please sign and return the attached parental reply slip by Friday 8th June at the very latest; students should hand it back to their **History** teacher.

In the event of an emergency, we will be referring to the Parental Consent Form that you completed for use during this academic year, commencing September 2017. If there have been changes to any information you have submitted about your contact details or your child's medical needs, then please request a replacement form from reception. This must be submitted prior to the visit.

Yours sincerely,

KJ Trevithick
Head of Humanities



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Student: Tutor Group:

- I consent to my child attending the educational visit to Pendennis Castle on the nominated date for their class between 20th and 25th June 2018.
 - I have paid a voluntary contribution of £5:00 towards the cost of coach hire via *Parentpay*.
 - I consent to my child travelling via coach.
 - I understand that my child will need to bring a packed lunch.
 - There have been no changes to my contact details or my child's medical needs.**
- OR**
- There have been changes to my contact details or my child's medical needs and I have requested a replacement form from reception, which will be submitted prior to the trip.**

Signed: Date:
(Parent/Carer)

Please return this slip to your child's History teacher by Friday 8th June 2018 at the very latest.