



9 May 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of the GCSE Geography course, we intend to take year 10 Geography students to Brandon Marsh on the following dates for individual classes:

Class	Out	Return
10A Gg1 - Monday 7 July (Mrs Ashton and Miss Clifford class)	9.15 am	12.15 pm
10B Gg1 - Monday 7 July (Mrs Harding and Mrs Kerr class)	12.15 pm	2.45 pm
10D Gg1- Wednesday 9 July (Mr Williams and Mrs Ashton class)	9.15 am	12.15 pm

The purpose of this trip is to collect primary data for an investigation into a local grass and woodland ecosystem. This will include activities such as carrying out a belt transect investigating abiotic and biotic features of the ecosystem. Students will use this experience to answer questions based on data collection methods in paper three of their GCSE Geography exams therefore, attendance is compulsory.

The suggested per student contribution is £8.00 to cover the cost of transport and entrance fee. This is payable via ParentPay and is required by 13 June 2025, please also complete the required consent and emergency details [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). In order for the trip to go ahead, it is essential that sufficient voluntary contributions are received to cover the full cost. If you would like your child to attend but are struggling with the cost please contact us to discuss what support may be available – please note this may be limited and discretionary. Please note that once you have committed to a trip all monies paid will be non-refundable should your child withdraw from the trip.

Students can wear their own clothes, which must be suitable for an outdoor environment. They will need to take a packed lunch. Packed lunches will be provided for students on Free School Meals and will be available for collection on the morning of the visit, please email me by Friday 27 June at [jashton@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:jashton@northleamington.co.uk) if you would like a free school meal provided. It is advisable that students do not take valuables on this trip. However, if it is necessary, please ensure that your own insurance covers such items.

Members of staff will be with students all day at Brandon Marsh. As this is an outside activity looking at a small ecosystem please check the weather to help ensure students come equipped which may be sun block if it's a clear day, fluids to keep hydrated and a hat to prevent heat stroke, or a coat if it's a wet day.

Educational site visits are an additional opportunity for students to support their learning. Should we have any concerns regarding a student's behaviour either prior to or in the time between signing up to the trip, that student will be withdrawn from the trip and individual parents will be notified accordingly. Any monies paid will be non-refundable unless a suitable replacement can be found.

In terms of medicine, parents/carers must acquaint themselves with the policy here: [Link to Policy on Supporting Students with Medical Needs](#). Parents/Carers will need to ensure they pass on all medicines (prescription or over-the-counter ones) with a copy of the Parental Agreement (consent) form found on page 6. If you need a paper copy of the form provided for you, please ask me as the Visit Leader at [jashton@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:jashton@northleamington.co.uk).

I hope these arrangements meet with your approval. Should you have any questions, then please contact me at [jashton@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:jashton@northleamington.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Ashton (Head of Geography)