



Friday 10 October 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of the GCSE Geography course, we intend to take year 11 Geography students to Birmingham City Centre on Monday 17 November 2025. The purpose of this trip is to collect primary data for an investigation into the success of urban regeneration in the city. This will include activities such as land use surveys, visitor surveys and environmental quality surveys, as well as other data collection suitable to the enquiry. Students will use this experience to answer questions based on data collection methods in paper three of their GCSE Geography exams and therefore it is of high importance that students attend. Students that study travel and tourism will also be participating in the trip, they will be surveying the tourist facilities and amenities in the city at the same sites the Geographers will be visiting.

We intend to leave school at 8.15 am therefore students will need to be in school by 8.00 am. We will travel by coach to Birmingham City Centre and expect to leave Birmingham at 2.30 p.m. Anticipated return time to school is approximately 3.30-3.45 p.m.

We will endeavour to be with all students for some parts of the day but at other times they will not be under direct supervision and will be collecting data in groups of four at four sites which include Brindley Place, the Birmingham Library, Grand Central Station and the Bullring Shopping area. At the last site, which is the Bullring Shopping area, students will be able to have some free time once all data has been collected. Within this time they will have a contact number should they need to speak to a member of staff; they must go around in groups of no less than four.

The suggested per student contribution is £10 to cover the cost of transport. Please pay via ParentPay by Friday 7 November 2025. Please also complete the required information, via ParentPay, to provide consent and emergency details. 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, all monies paid will be non-refundable should your child withdraw.

Students can wear their own clothes however, this must be suitable for an outdoor environment. They will need to take a packed lunch or take a small amount of money to purchase lunch in the city centre. 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 7 November 2025 at 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.

Educational site visits are an additional opportunity for students to support their learning. Should we have any concerns regarding a student's behaviour prior 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.

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 7. If you need a paper copy of the form provided for you, please ask me as the Visit Leader at jashton@northleamington.co.uk.

I hope these arrangements meet with your approval. Should you have any questions, then please feel free to contact Mrs Ashton.

Yours faithfully

J Ashton (Head of Geography)