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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Update on GCSE Geography Fieldtrip to Osmington Bay 2021**

I have endeavoured this year to give your son/daughter the opportunity of a residential fieldwork experience. I have taken students to Osmington Bay before, and they have always enjoyed their time there. Unfortunately, the cost for this trip offered by PGL is far higher than the original cost I anticipated and would not reflect good value for money. Therefore, I have found an alternative destination that will still offer excellent value for money along with a comprehensive fieldwork experience.

#### **Gower 2021**

Students will now be going to the YHA Port Eynon, Gower, South Wales (<https://exclusive-hire.yha.org.uk/properties/yha-port-eynon/>). This is situated on the most southerly point of the Gower peninsula and converted from South Gower's former lifeboat station, YHA Port Eynon enjoys unparalleled sea views from its large lounge windows and offers guests a 'close up' with the forces of nature. We will have exclusive hire of the YHA hostel. All field studies will still be linked to our geography AQA A syllabus with a particular focus on the unit called physical landscapes in the UK. All food, activities and travel will still be included in the price.

Below is a possible itinerary of the field trip;

#### **Day 1**

Time	Activity
9am	Depart Pittville School
12pm	Arrive at Swansea Marina
12 - 3pm	Lunch and walk to around the Marina to see changes in regeneration
4 - 6pm	Check into hostel
6 - 8pm	Fish and chips at Port Eynon
8-10pm	Time in hostel

#### **Day 2**

Time	Activity
8 - 9am	Breakfast at YHA
9 - 2pm	Coastal fieldwork at Rhossili Bay with picnic lunch



2 – 6pm	Coastal fieldwork at Whiteford sands
6 – 8pm	Dinner at the Britannia Inn, Llanmadoc
8 – 10pm	Time in hostel

### **Day 3**

Time	Activity
7-8am	Breakfast in YHA
9am	Check out of hostel
10-11:30 am	Tour of Swansea University geography department
12:30 - 1pm	Lunch at Bridgend service station
3pm	Arrive at Pittville School

The only extra things your son/daughter will need to bring are the correct clothing for the activities scheduled and a packed lunch for the first day. A full kit list will be provided at a later date. If you still have any outstanding money to pay, please do so as soon as possible using your ParentPay account.

Lastly, the dates of the trips have changed. Your son or daughter will be going on one of the following dates.

Trip 1: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Trip 2: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October

We will notify you which date along with the kit list later in September through written correspondence and I plan to hold a meeting for parents to go through the trip in detail and offer you an opportunity to ask any questions.

I hope you are satisfied with the change of arrangement. I assure you that your son/daughter will have a fantastic experience.

Yours sincerely

Mr F Litherland  
Geography Subject leader