



<u>Year 12 Geography Fieldtrip to Magdalen Farm, Somerset - Monday 17th June - Friday</u> 21st June 2024

The Geography Department is proposing to run a residential field trip for Year 12 Geography pupils to Magdalen Farm in Somerset. The field trip is undertaken to provide students with the opportunity to complete the four days of fieldwork required by AQA for the completion of the A Level Geography course. It will also allow the students to collect the independent data they need to write their Non-Examined Assessment which equates to 20% of their final grade.

Fieldwork is an essential aspect of geography. It ensures that students are given the opportunity to consolidate and extend their geographical understanding by relating learning to real experiences of the world. As part of the A Level course, students get to choose an area of the specification which interests them, on which they must complete a 5000 word piece of coursework. This coursework should be undertaken independently and be unique to them. Magdalen Farm provides us with a varied range of fieldwork sites including coastal landscapes and urban environments. Students will have the opportunity to visit a range of sites and test out a variety of fieldwork techniques before choosing the area they wish to study in depth.

Magdalen Farm is a specialist field centre, which provides classrooms, fieldwork equipment and full board. The trip will leave Etonbury Academy at 7am on Monday 17th June and return for 5pm on Friday 21st June.

The cost of the trip will be £360 per pupil, which will cover the cost of accommodation, transport, food and resources. This is a voluntary contribution, but if we do not receive sufficient funds, the trip may not go ahead. If you find it difficult to pay for this activity, please contact Mrs Fallows - cfallows@bestacademies.org.uk. Please be aware that the deposit will be non-refundable.

Please make payment via parentmail. The payment schedule is as follows:

	Amount	Due Date
Deposit	£75	31st October 2023
Payment 1	£70	1st January 2024
Payment 2	£70	1st February 2024
Payment 3	£75	1st March 2024
Payment 4	£70	1st May 2024

If you have any questions about the trip, please contact me on lharbour@bestacademies.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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