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Ref: Enrichment Week - Year 9 field work (18th July 2024)

Dear Parents/Carers

Weather permitting; Year 9 will perform some fieldwork in Carding Mill Valley on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July, with students investigating the effects of biotic and abiotic factors on the distribution of low growing plants.

We will be departing school at 9:00am, walking to Carding Mill Valley where students will carry out field work on a carousel basis, using three methods of data collection (belt transects, quadrats, and abiotic and biotic sampling) before returning to school for lunch and an afternoon analysing the data collected.

Students will need to wear sensible non-school uniform which includes footwear that is comfortable to walk in and suitable for getting wet. Please ensure that your child has a hat and sun cream to protect from the sun (fingers crossed) and enough drinking water to last until lunch. We will have a morning break in Carding Mill Valley, where students can have the food they have brought with them, students will not have an opportunity to purchase any food in Carding Mill Valley.

We will return to school for lunch, if your child is entitled to free school meals then this will be provided on the day.

There is no monetary contribution needed for this trip. Students will return to school in time for the normal end of the school day.

Many thanks in advance for your support, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to email me.

Kind regards

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