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Tuesday 21 October 2025

Dear Parent / Carer

### **Year 11 GCSE Geography Birmingham Fieldwork**

As part of your child's GCSE Geography course there is a requirement to undertake two contrasting pieces of Fieldwork. The first of these visits usually takes place in the first half term of Y10. Last year a number of pupils were unable to attend the visit for reasons such as illness or a late start at CS school. In order to close this gap in their exam preparation, it is important that they have the opportunity to participate in this year's fieldwork visit. This will be to investigate the impacts of urban regeneration on Birmingham and will take place on **18<sup>th</sup> November 2025**. We will depart from Church Stretton at approximately 9 am **and return to school for approximately 4.30pm**. We will ask pupils with mobile phones to update you with our ETA on route. Whilst in Birmingham we are aiming to visit 4 locations and will be walking between locations.

On the day of the visit students should come to school in non-school uniform, dressed appropriately for the weather forecast as much of the day will be spent outdoors. They should bring with them a packed lunch, drink, pens, pencils and a clipboard if they have one. Pupils who qualify for free school meals can be provided with a packed lunch on request. We expect to be able to allow some free time in the Bull Ring shopping centre at lunchtime, so pupils may wish to bring a small amount of money to supplement this. Although we will be working in groups throughout the day, a mobile phone would be sensible in the event they become separated from the group. They can also use their phone to take photographs and record noise levels as part of the data collection process.

For this visit to go ahead we have to raise the costs of transport which works out at £18.50 per place. Under the requirements of The Education Act, 1996 we can only raise the cost of the visit by voluntary contributions. However, the visit can only go ahead if the level of financial support is sufficient. If your child qualifies for Pupil Premium funding, there will be no charge for the visit.

**I would be grateful if you could confirm your consent for your son/daughter taking part in this trip by logging into the schools ParentPay system where you can make the necessary payment and complete the necessary consent and information forms.**

**Payment and consent must be received before 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025.**

Our school conforms with data protection regulations, which means any data provided is processed and kept according to these regulations. Please see our full privacy notice which can be found at [www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk](http://www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk) (A paper copy can be provided on request).

If you have any questions regarding the visit or to request a packed lunch for a Pupil Premium student, please get in touch via email: [alistair.elkins@csschool.co.uk](mailto:alistair.elkins@csschool.co.uk)

Kind regards  
Mr. A.Elkins