Backwell School

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Dear Parent / Carer

GCSE Geography Fieldtrip to Bristol's Temple Quarter

As part of the GCSE course in Geography, students are expected to complete two days of fieldwork. For the second fieldwork day, they will be visiting Bristol's Temple Quarter to investigate whether the regeneration has improved the environment of the area.

On your child's fieldwork day, we will leave school shortly after registration. **Students need to arrive at school promptly at 8.45am** so that they can be registered and have their pre-trip briefing with their teacher.

We will then spend the day doing several different activities to help the students gain knowledge about different fieldwork collection techniques. Students will have a tour of the regeneration area, be given time to collect their own data, and have a boat tour of the area. We will be taking the train from Nailsea and Backwell Station to Bristol Temple Meads. Students will be back in school in time for their buses, afterschool clubs, or catch-up sessions.

Students will need **to bring their own lunch with them and will need to wear school uniform** for the day, but they can wear comfortable trainers rather than school shoes.

The day your child will attend is dependent on the geography class they are in. The days and classes are listed below. *Please note – for various reasons we cannot move your child onto another day.*

Date	Groups
Tuesday 20 October	Mr Sales and Mrs Turner
Wednesday 21 October	Mr Sills and Mrs Whitehouse
Thursday 22 October	Mr Stubbs and Mr Hooker

This is a compulsory trip for which we are requesting a **contribution of £20**, payable on ParentPay. Please visit www.parentpay.com the school's online cashless payment system **by Monday 05 October** to give your consent, provide an emergency contact number and make payment. If you have any queries regarding ParentPay, please contact the Finance Team at finance@backwellschool.net.

If your child is in receipt of **Targeted** free school meals and/or is eligible for Pupil Premium funding, financial assistance is available. Please contact the Finance Team via the email address, above, if this applies to your student.

Yours sincerely

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Subject Leader of Geography

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