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Dear Parent / Carer

I am very pleased to be able to inform you that we are taking all our year 10 GCSE Geography students on a brand new field trip to Studland on Thursday 4th May.

Students will not be in school uniform but should wear suitable clothing and a pair of comfortable and sturdy shoes (e.g. trainers). Pupils should be in school at the normal time. The coaches will be leaving at 07:25 hours. We will return at about 17:30 hours.

The aims of the day are to support and enhance the work students have been doing in class. In the morning we will be studying plant succession along a transect through the sand dunes. In the afternoon we are looking at the sphere of influence that Studland has as a tourist resort. We will be led by two qualified local experts and fieldwork instructors there who will be able to show the pupils real life examples of what they have studied in class, both for coastal landforms but more specifically how to plan and gather data about our human and natural environments. One of the GCSE exams is specifically about data collection and fieldwork so this trip is vital to their progress and final grade.

Voluntary contributions of £24.50 are requested to cover the cost of this trip. No child will be denied the chance of taking part regardless of any contribution made, but if voluntary contributions do not meet the full costs, it will not be possible to run the trip. We regret that refunds cannot be made unless the visit is cancelled by the School. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to enquire before making payment.

Please make payment through your ParentPay account. Once you have accessed ParentPay please follow the instructions. This will allow you to make payment and to complete the necessary permission slip for the trip. Please include details of any medical conditions and contact details for the day in the notes field on Parent Pay. If you are unable to do this please contact Mrs Williams, the Assistant Business Manager – awilliams@st-edmunds.eu

Yours sincerely

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