



Backwell School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Geography fieldwork – Friday 28 February 2020

During the next 12 months the Geography A level students will be completing their non-examined assessment (NEA) as part of their A level qualification. This makes up 20% of their final grade and as such is a significant part of the course.

As well as going down to Nettlecombe field studies centre in the summer to discover a wide range of data collection and analytical techniques, we are also keen to provide students with the opportunity to undertake and write up some aspects of the NEA. This in itself takes longer than the time we will have whilst on the residential fieldwork.

The Geography department have, therefore, organised an afternoon of data collection on the theme of 'Urban Microclimates' in the vicinity of Backwell and will subsequently have a week of collapsed lesson time in order to undergo a write up of the methods, data presentation, conclusions and evaluations. There will also be homework tasks and research in the weeks leading up to the data collection and in the week of the write up. It is important for students to attend lessons during this week.

The data collection will take place on **Friday 28 February 2020 from 1.15pm until 3.30pm**. There is no cost and students will have completed the fieldwork in time to leave at the end of the school day. Please could you sign the permission slip below and inform us of any medical requirements that may need to be taken in to consideration.

Yours sincerely

Claire Turner
Subject leader of Geography

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Please return to Mrs Turner in the Geography Department by Monday 24 February 2020

NAME OF STUDENT: _____ TUTORGROUP: _____

I give permission for my son/daughter to attend the Geography fieldwork in the vicinity of Backwell on **Friday 28 February 2020 from 1.15 until 3.30 pm**.

Signed: _____
Parent/Carer

Date _____