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Dear Parents & Year 10 Geography Students

I do hope you and your families are healthy and coping in this challenging time.

As you may know I had booked our Year 10 residential in Wales for Wednesday May 26th 2021 to Friday May 28th 2021 (just before we break up for half term).

However, after much discussion with the centre and our finance department I have taken the difficult decision to cancel the residential. Whilst the centre and I are confident the students would be safe; much of our time would be spent outdoors, and hygiene standards would prevent transmission; if I book now (in the covid pandemic) and had to cancel later due to covid restrictions / outbreaks we would be unlikely to get a refund via insurance policies we hold.

I'm sure the students will be disappointed, but I do intend to plan two individual days of fieldwork for Year 10, which may well be on the original May dates. There will be some costs involved such as coaches and equipment and potentially extra staff, but it is likely to be less than the residential trip. As soon as I have more details I will be in touch again.

Ofgual did not remove the fieldwork element (or indeed any element !) of the external examination so students will still be tested on fieldwork on Papers 1 & 2, it is therefore vital that we carry out some fieldwork to allow students their best chance of success in their terminal exams.

Yours Faithfully

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