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Dear Parents and Year 10 Geographers

Covid has meant we have had to adapt our teaching and learning significantly over the last year and this hasn't finished yet. Restrictions mean the planning of fieldwork is very problematic, I was unable to book our regular residential stay in Wales because we didn't know whether restrictions would be in place and our insurance wouldn't cover money lost if covid meant we couldn't go.

I'd like to think that we might get a day or two in Year 11 when we can go out and conduct local fieldwork, but I can't guarantee this. Currently exam boards are discussing how fieldwork will be assessed in the 2022 examinations, and I anticipate it will definitely feature on paper 1 & 2 in some format. Traditionally it is 16 marks on both papers 1 & 2, making it as vital as any of the 8 topics taught in class, which are each worth 13 marks on both papers.

To ensure basic fieldwork skills and scenarios are covered I would like to invite all Year 10 Geographers into school on Wednesday April 7th (the first Wednesday in the Easter holidays). All three Geography teachers will be in that day to run imaginary scenarios at various points on the school grounds, with some classroom based follow up.

Students would need to be in for a 9.30am registration, with 10A in G3, 10B in G2 and 10C in G1. They would need to bring a packed lunch and any snacks they might want, school is officially closed so the canteen won't be open. We anticipate being finished around 3pm. They will also need a pencil case and outdoor coat (uniform is not necessary and their own clothes is fine).

Please can you email me before Friday 2nd April at cbramwell@urmstongrammar.org.uk to register that your son / daughter will be there for this essential day of in-situ fieldwork. If you could use your son / daughters name and class teacher in the subject heading that would be very helpful, thank you.

Yours Sincerely

C Bramwell

Mrs C Bramwell (Head of Geography)



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