

Dear Parents

21 February 2012

Year 11 Geography Trip - London Olympic Park

As part of the Key Stage 4 Geography course in the summer your child will sit a Making Geographical Decisions paper worth 25% of their GCSE. The topic selected by the exam board this year is **Sustainability and London's 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games**. In the weeks leading up to the exam, students will be studying a range of resources published by the exam board on this topic. To allow the students to perform to the best of their ability in this exam and increase their engagement in this topic, we would like to offer the opportunity for them to visit the Olympic Park site in Stratford.

This is an amazing opportunity for the students to see what they will be examined on first hand. The visit will include a half-day guided tour of the Olympic Park with discussion on how the area has changed. The students would then have a lesson at the View Tube Learning Centre overlooking the Olympic Park, which has been specifically designed to cover the content in our exam.

The trip will run on **Saturday 12 May** to avoid disruption to other lessons at this critical time for Year 11. We will depart from TPS at 8:45am, so students need to be in school to register at **8:30am**. We will return around 5.00pm.

Students can wear their own clothes but they need to be prepared for walking around the site and the weather conditions on the day. A packed lunch will also be required.

The cost of the trip, which includes travel by coach, the tour of the Olympic site and the lesson in the View Tube centre is **£52.50**. If you wish your child to take part in the visit, please complete the reply slip below and hand in to the Finance Office, together with your payment. Please ensure that the envelope is clearly labelled with your child's name, tutor group and GCSE Olympic Trip. Cheques made payable to The Petersfield School.

As this is a great opportunity, we hope that most students will come and we will be able to take two coaches, but we are aware the price may be a barrier. This trip is not compulsory and whilst it will enhance your child's learning, they will receive all the information they require for the exam in class. However if you would like your child to attend but you feel that financially it is not possible, please contact me and we will see if the school can help in any way.

If you could please return the slip and payment as soon as possible, it will greatly help us in establishing numbers and the booking of the coaches, but the final deadline is **Monday 27 February**. Regrettably if we cannot fill two coaches we may not be able to take all the students who wish to come.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me, email or telephone (01730 234604).

Yours sincerely

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GCSE Olympic Geography Trip – Saturday 12 May

Student's Name: Tutor Group:

Tutor group:

- I would like my son/daughter to attend the GCSE Geography Olympic Trip.
- I understand that he/she will be representing the school and so will behave accordingly.
- I enclose cash or a cheque for £52.50, made payable to The Petersfield School.
- I confirm there are no changes to the medical information held at school for my child.

Signed: Parent/Guardian