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Dear Parents/Guardians

## Sixth Form Geology Field Trip to Arran – July 2017

This summer we are planning a field trip to Arran. Often described as 'Scotland in miniature', Arran offers spectacular scenery and an outstanding diversity of rock types and structures within a small area. The island has been the centre of geological research and investigation for around 200 years, and offers the ideal opportunity for Sixth Form students to work on Igneous, Sedimentary and Metamorphic Rocks as consolidation for their A level Geology.

The trip will leave Southampton Airport on Wednesday 12 July, returning on Sunday 16 July 2017. We will be staying (full board) at the Lochranza Field Centre on the North of the island. The likely cost for the trip will be around £600.00, to include all travel (apart from getting to and from Southampton Airport), accommodation, food and insurance. All of the fieldwork equipment will also be supplied by the field centre, and the teaching will be delivered by school staff. I will be able to confirm a more accurate costing once the flights are booked.

In order for me to book flights I will need to know the number of students who wish to go on the trip and an early deadline for returns will be essential. If you would like your son or daughter to be considered for the trip please arrange to pay a deposit of £200 by 1550 on Friday 3 February. It is likely that the maximum number of student places will be 30 and receipt of the deposit will be taken to mean you wish to take up a place on the trip. In the event that the trip is oversubscribed, 30 names will be drawn randomly and those pupils who are unsuccessful will be placed on a reserve list and their deposits refunded. If you are allocated a place on the trip your payment will be regarded as a non-refundable deposit. Payment may be made in two ways:

**Please pay online:** via [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com). If you need a link code please email [amh@bws.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:amh@bws.wilts.sch.uk).

**By credit card/debit card:** Please contact the BWS Finance Office on tel. 01722 333851 Ext. 260.

No pupil will be barred from the trip on account of non-payment, but if total payments do not cover the cost of the trip then regrettably it will have to be cancelled.

Your son/daughter will be covered by the school's insurance during this trip; a copy of which is available on the relevant school website. Please ensure that we have current emergency contact details and details of any medical conditions and that your son/daughter takes all necessary medication with him on this trip. Please contact Mrs Sarah Hayward at BWS [sah@bws.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:sah@bws.wilts.sch.uk) to update your son's information if necessary.

If you have any further questions about the trip then please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours sincerely

S D Smallwood  
Head Master