



22 June 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may be aware, Year 9 have been starting a new enquiry 'To what extent does geography account for patterns of crime?'. Students will be developing their geographical and data handling skills by considering the relationship between the geography of an area, and recorded crime. The aim of the work is to build fieldwork and enquiry skills, so students who have opted to continue with geography have a strong foundation in this element of the GCSE course. The skills are of course transferable to other subjects too.

This is a fieldwork enquiry so we will be taking students into Soham during one of their Geography lessons in the months of June, or July to collect data. They will go to predetermined focus areas near to school and consider how the environmental quality and land use affects the amount of recorded crimes there.

Students will be told which day they are completing the fieldwork in advance. It will take one geography lesson, and should not affect any other lessons or break/lunch time.

Students will be supervised by staff throughout. Students must ensure they have appropriate clothing (e.g., waterproof coat if the day is forecast to be wet) and sensible shoes (part of their usual school uniform).

Yours sincerely,

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