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17<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

**Residential Field Trip : Key Stage 3 Geography**

As part of our on-going commitment to providing students with opportunities to experience Geography outside of the classroom, I am pleased to offer your son the opportunity to participate in a three day residential field trip.

The field trip will take place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October until Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2018. We will be visiting the FSC (Field Studies Council) centre in Rhyd-y-Creuau in Snowdonia, Wales. The cost of the trip is £220.00 per student, in line with a recent change to our Charging Policy, pupils for whom we receive Pupil Premium funding (eg. those entitled, or previously entitled, to Free School Meals) will only be asked to pay £100.00 with the first £100.00 funded by St Margaret's. Included in this cost is; equipment hire of walking boots, waterproof wellington boots, clothing day-sacs, gloves, hats and safety equipment such as harnesses and helmets for climbing, buoyancy aides and helmet for gorge scrambling; full-board accommodation, including breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal (except packed lunch for Friday); bed linen; all transport costs during the trip, including coach hire to and from school and mini-bus transport to various sites for activities during the weekend.

Your son will participate in a number of activities including woodland studies, landscape studies, team building activities, abseiling and Gorge scrambling, a visit to Cwm Idwall and a working Welsh Hill Sheep farm. Students will benefit from the experience of fully trained guides who are dedicated to the education of pupils in the surrounding local environment and fully trained in the safety and instruction of the activities.

**Please note activities on this trip include lots of physical outdoor activity which will provide challenge and enjoyment for your son in beautiful natural surroundings.**

If you would like to know more information about the centre you can visit their website via the following link: <http://www.field-studies-council.org/rhycreuau>.

If you would like your son to participate, please complete the slip below, and return it in the enclosed envelope. This payment can be made via Parentmail (+Pay) we have in school, or by cash/cheque (*made payable to 'St Margaret's School fund'*). Please circle how you will make the payment on the return slip below.

The remaining amount outstanding will be required closer to the time of the trip. Please note there is a limited number of places on this trip and will be awarded on a first come first served basis. Your son should see me (Mrs Williams) personally after handing the envelope to the office to confirm a place on the trip.

If you have any further questions regarding the trip, please contact me at the school [kwilliams@stmargaretsacademy.com](mailto:kwilliams@stmargaretsacademy.com)

Yours faithfully

Mrs K Williams  
Subject Leader of Geography

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**REPLY SLIP - Snowdonia Field Trip – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2018**

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I will make payment of £50 (non-refundable) deposit via Parentmail or enclose cash/cheque (*made payable to 'St Margaret's School fund'*) (please circle as appropriate).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/carers)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_