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Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to inform you of an upcoming fieldwork visit for your child's geography class **9W**.

We are working closely with the National Trust education team at Carding Mill Valley to develop fieldwork opportunities in the local area.

You child's Geography class will be visiting Carding Mill Valley on **Monday 19th October 2026.**

On this day they need to come to school in warm outdoor clothing and sensible shoes – please be mindful of the weather forecast they will be spending two hours working outdoors. If they have a pair of wellies, please can they bring them, as they will be working in and around the stream and pond. The National Trust will be able to loan wellies to pupils who do not have their own, so please do not purchase them specially.

The fieldwork will centre around an investigation into freshwater ecosystems which will build one of our major topics of study in Y9 geography.

Your child's visit will depart from school at 1.05 pm, being transported to the valley for a 1.15 start. Students will be allowed an early lunch and should meet in the quad area in the centre of the school at 1pm. We will return to school in time for the school buses. As we will be in school at both break and lunch time there is no need to bring a packed lunch, although students may wish to bring a bag with a drink.

There is no charge for this visit, but in order to take your child off site I need you to give your consent via parentpay and inform me of any relevant medical conditions.

If you have any questions, please get in touch via email: alistair.elkins@csschool.co.uk

Yours sincerely

Mr Elkins