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RE: 6th Year Geography Field Study

Dear parent(s)/guardian(s),

As part of the Sixth Year Geography course, we are taking students on a river field study at Tanagh Education Centre, Monaghan as part of their Geographical Investigation for their Leaving Certificate. It is worth 20% of their marks and they will undertake certain activities at the river (measuring the width, depth, velocity, turbidity and sampling sediment size and roundness class of the River Bunnoe). They are doing this to collect data that they need to complete their Leaving Certificate Geography Investigation.

The cost of trip will be €25 per student. Payment for this field study must be made through Way to Pay which has been set up for you. This fee must be paid and your consent for the trip indicated on Way2Pay before Monday the 12th September 2022. As the numbers are large and there are two classes, the trip is split over two days, the 13th and 14th September where each class group goes out on a separate day. The classes will be informed what day they are going out on by their teacher.

Buses will depart Ratoath College at 08.00 sharp on Tuesday/Wednesday morning on the 13th and 14th September. Students will not return to the school until 17.00/17.15. Students need to bring a packed lunch on the day.

Students are required to wear their full crested PE uniform for the field trip. Students not in uniform on the morning of the trip will not be permitted to attend.

Students will be required to have their own stationary (pens, ruler, pencil, notebook) with them.

Items to bring on the day are:

- 1. Change of clothes
- 2. Waterproof jacket and leggings
- 3. Wellington boots/hiking boots
- 4. Old runners
- 5. Swimwear and t shirt
- 6. Notebook and pencil

As with all school trips, normal school rules will apply.

We hope everyone has an enjoyable and educational trip.

Yours faithfully

Ms Canny & Mr. Toher Geography Department