



NEWSTEAD WOOD SCHOOL

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22 May 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 11 Geography Fieldwork Trip to Stratford, East London – Tuesday 30 September 2025

As part of the GCSE Geography course, it is a requirement that students undertake a day of human geography fieldwork to examine the changing nature of a UK Economic Hub, which will be assessed as part of students' Paper 2 GCSE examination. The fieldtrip will be led by expert tutors from the Field Studies Council and supported by Newstead staff.

The trip will involve working outdoors in groups to collect data, with staff on hand throughout the day. Students will need to wear sensible clothing and comfortable shoes; they should bring pens, pencils, a clipboard and a mobile phone.

Students will need to meet outside Stratford Underground Station at **9.30am** by the old steam train. **Students will be expected to make their own way to and from Stratford Underground Station** and should plan their journey carefully as it is imperative that they arrive promptly at 9.30am for work to begin.

Students will be dismissed from Stratford Underground Station at 3.35pm to make their own way home. Students may prefer to travel in a group with their friends.

It is imperative that students are organised and arrive promptly for work to begin. In case of issues on route students should ensure that they have the Emergency Contact number, **07501 754 680**, saved on their mobile phone and provide their teacher with a contact number beforehand.

If a student is unwell on the day they should contact this number and school to indicate that they are not attending. If students are unduly late or an incident occurs on route students should contact staff and may be directed back to school or home.

Due to the timings of the day and nature of travel it is not possible to use the TFL free travel scheme, therefore **students will need to ensure that they have an appropriately topped up Oyster card or ticket for the journey** to and from Stratford Underground Station during peak time.

If you agree to the details of the trip outlined in this letter, please make a payment of £37.50 for Stratford Fieldwork via WisePay **by Friday 27 June**. Please be aware that payment constitutes permission for this trip. If you have any financial concerns with regards to payment for this trip please contact finance@newsteadwood.co.uk in confidence.

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For the purpose of trip safety, emergency contact and medical information for your daughter will be taken from Arbor. Please check and update student details via the app if there have been any changes.

Yours sincerely

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