

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Year 7 Maritime Cruise

We are excited to announce that we will be running our next Year 7 maritime field trip after half term. One of the many maritime-based projects in KS3 Geography is a study of coastal erosion and an understanding of the different management types.

In order to contextualise their learning, we will be taking the whole of Year 7 on a short trip along the northern coastline of Cowes to look at Cowes breakwater and different coastal management features between East Cowes and Gurnard. The Cowes Harbour Master will also accompany the children on board to speak to them about the local environment.

This is an experience that previous students in year 7 have found extremely valuable and has helped to connect them to our local maritime industry in Cowes, as well as supporting their project-based learning. Our KS3 curriculum includes a range of learning experiences from boat-building to the science behind displacement theory, but also gives children an opportunity to understand the local cultural heritage of Cowes.

When?

- X-Band Geography Classes
Students in the above classes will be going on Wednesday 12th June.
- Y-Band Geography Classes
Students in the above classes will be going on Thursday 13th June.

Where? The boat leaves Trinity Landing in Cowes and will travel along the north coast of the island

What time? During school hours, leaving at 08:30 and returning at 11:15

What does my child need? Just school uniform, appropriate coat (if rain is predicted) and a pen.

There is no charge, but we would appreciate it if you your child could come to school with a packed lunch and drink, in case of a late return.

In order that we can leave promptly in the morning, please ensure that your child is in school before 8.20am. In the event of inclement weather, please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately and any travel sickness medication given in advance.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above academy telephone number or email address.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Kelly Wiltshire
Subject Lead for Geography