



Monday 18 May 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 9 Geography Fieldwork Trip to Birmingham Tuesday 16 June 2026

We are delighted to invite your child to take part in their first GCSE Geography fieldwork experience, which will contribute towards their final GCSE grade. The fieldwork will take place on Tuesday 16th June and will be based around Birmingham city centre.

As outlined during the options process, fieldwork is a compulsory element of the GCSE Geography course. The investigation directly supports Paper 3, which assesses students' understanding and evaluation of geographical enquiry processes.

During the day, students will study Birmingham's urban redevelopment programme, focusing on the Canal Basin, the Mailbox, the Bullring Shopping Centre, and the Bird's Custard Factory.

The cost of the trip is subsidised by a voluntary contribution of £30.00. Families in receipt of Pupil Premium, who are unable to contribute, may request financial assistance in writing. Please email trips@lincroft.academy with the name of the trip in the subject line. No student will be discriminated against due to an inability to pay; however, if insufficient funds are raised through voluntary contributions, the trip may need to be cancelled.

Payment can be made via the MCAS app, by no later than Sunday 31 May 2026.

We aim to make full use of the fieldwork day and therefore ask that students arrive at school by 7:45am, with departure at 8:00am. We expect to arrive in Birmingham by approximately 9:30am and return to school by 4:30pm, traffic permitting. Parents will be notified of any significant delays.

The day will involve approximately 5km of walking, so students should attend in full school uniform but may wear trainers if preferred. Depending on the weather, students should bring a warm coat/raincoat or suncream and hat. They will need to bring a packed lunch, plenty of water, writing equipment, and a clipboard if they have one.



Please note that food is not permitted on the coach. There may be opportunities to purchase additional snacks/drinks during the day, so students may choose to bring a small amount of money. A packed lunch will be provided for those in receipt of Free School Meals.

The use of mobile phones will not be permitted on the trip as per the school policy. This includes the journey to and from Birmingham, and during our time in the city. If students do not follow this policy, usual sanctions will apply. Staff will ensure that lots of photos are taken with the school phone, so that we can share them with your child after the event, and we will post appropriately checked content onto socials. If they wish, your child will be allowed to let you know we have arrived safely, and to make contact when we are about 30 minutes away; we will make contact on behalf of any student who does not bring a phone using the school device.

At Lincroft Academy, we expect high standards of behaviour at all times. Students are expected to follow staff instructions and uphold our school values throughout the trip. We reserve the right to withdraw any student from the visit if behaviour does not meet our expectations.

We very much look forward to taking our GCSE Geography students on this valuable fieldwork experience.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs H. Bavington
Head of Geography