

Our Ref: 080/15

1<sup>st</sup> June 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

**Ainsdale Ecology Trip**

I am pleased to inform you that Year 12 Biology pupils are invited to an Ecology Field trip at Ainsdale Beach on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**.

The day consists of completing numerous ecology sampling techniques. Including quadrats, transect lines and mark capture release techniques. These techniques are a listed requirement within the AQA specification for A2 Biology. The students will be accompanied and supervised throughout the day by three Biology teachers-myself, Miss McRory and Miss Lalgee. All students will be expected to complete a booklet which is essential for their transitional targets moving from Year 12 into 13.

Students are asked to wear their own clothing, that they don't mind getting dirty and must wear a waterproof jacket and wellington boots or old trainers.

All students and staff will travel from school to the beach and back via school coach. The estimated time of return is 3.15pm.

For this visit to take place a voluntary contribution of £2.50 is required. Please complete and return the reply slip below, together with the appropriate cash or cheque (made payable to **St Margaret's School Fund**) in the enclosed sealed envelope by **Monday 15th June**. *If the voluntary contributions do not cover the cost of this trip, we regret it may have to be cancelled. In line with a recent change to our Charging Policy, pupils for whom we receive Pupil Premium funding (eg those entitled to Free School Meals) will not be required to make a voluntary contribution for this trip.*

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Maher  
Second in Science

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**REPLY SLIP: Ainsdale Ecology Trip – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015**

Student : \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like my son/daughter to attend the above Ainsdale Beach visit on 22<sup>th</sup> June 2015 and enclose a voluntary contribution of £2.50

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_(parent/carers) Date: \_\_\_\_\_