



St. Ninian's HIGH SCHOOL

Scoil Ard Noo Ninian

Our ref: JKM/LK/

19th May 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Year 9 Geography Visit to Birch Hill

This term Year 9 are following an investigative unit of work based on GCSE Geography coursework. This will give the students a flavour of what is required with an investigation. As part of this, the Geography Department intends to take the students to Centenary Park, Birch Hill to carry out a number of different fieldwork activities, such as observations and environmental survey. These visits will take place during normal Geography lessons.

Sessions are timetabled as below:

Teacher	Class	lesson period/ date
JKM	9A	Friday 12 th June – Period 1
AMI	9B	Friday 12 th June – Period 5
BPO	9C	Friday 12 th June – Period 2
JKM	9D	Thursday 11 th June – Period 5
AMI	9E	Tuesday 9 th June – Period 4
JKM	9F	Friday 12 th June – Period 2
BPO	9G	Monday 8 th June – Period 1
AMI	9H	Friday 12 th June – Period 3
JKM	9I	Thursday 11 th June – Period 5
AMI	9J	Thursday 11 th June – Period 6

The students will walk together from Lower School to Birch Hill and back under supervision of St. Ninian's staff and once in the Centenary Woodland they will work in monitored groups to carry out their data collection.

As this will only be for one lesson in the usual school day and students will be attending all other lessons as normal, students will be expected to be in full uniform and bring all normal school equipment and books with them that day. It may be advisable for your child to bring an outdoor coat or umbrella if the weather requires it and a change of footwear would be advisable. It is also suggested that any students with asthma ensure they carry their inhalers with them.

If you would like any more information about the trip or feel that you would prefer your child not to take part please contact me via the school office.

Yours faithfully

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