



# The Crossley Heath School

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## A Level Biology Field Trip The Draper's Field Centre Betws-Y-Coed.

Dear Parent

As a part of the A level Biology course all students attend a week long residential Field Course as outlined in the sixth form prospectus. This will take place in North Wales from Friday 13<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The Field Course covers a large part of the Ecology topics required for the A level exam. It also provides students with a very worthwhile learning experience in its own right and provides a context for the whole Biology specification. Many of the more difficult conceptual aspects of Biology can be more readily appreciated when studying organisms in their natural environments. We will also carry out a selection of practical activities required for the practical endorsement.

The school will be making a substantial contribution to the cost of the course but students are required to contribute to cover the full costs of the residential component and towards the costs of transport both to and from the Field Centre and whilst in Wales. The full cost necessitates asking for a student contribution of approximately £350 and I would be grateful if a non-refundable deposit of £50 could be paid by the 13<sup>th</sup> October.

All payments for this trip should be paid through the ParentPay facility. To do this log on to [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) and click on the trip heading 'Biology Field Trip – Wales July 2018 – T082'. Please can you tick the trip consent box on the ParentPay site. This is to give consent for your child to attend the A level Biology Field Course in July 2018 and give your agreement to make a financial contribution towards the cost of the trip to cover the full cost of the residential component and an element towards the travel costs. Students whose parents are in receipt of various state benefits may be eligible for financial support and an application form is available from the School Finance Office.

Further information will be sent to you as soon as the details are finalised. If you have any concerns with regard to this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours faithfully

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Head of Biology / Field Course Leader

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