



June 2026

**Flatford Mill, Suffolk Residential Trip
Biology and Environmental Science Department
Skills Weeks (7-9 July 2027)**

Dear Parents/ Carers

Running alongside the curriculum, BHASVIC aims to provide enriching trips linked to students' studies that not only bring their studies to life but also encourage independence and an opportunity to make new friends and have new experiences.

As part of A level Biology and Environmental Science, we are hoping to run a three-day residential trip to Flatford Mill in early July 2027. Flatford Mill is located amidst the quintessentially English countryside of Deham Vale, it is run by the Field Studies Council, an environmental education charity. Over the three-days students will be able to immerse themselves in fieldwork relevant to their studies. We expect the cost for this trip to be around £460.

We have yet to decide the itinerary for the 2027, but the 2026 itinerary included:

- Three nights full board accommodation
- Freshwater Pollution Study / Data Analysis and T-test / Succession / Ecological Energetics

If your young person is interested in joining this trip, you do not need to do anything at this stage. We will contact students and parents/carers in the Autumn term with all the finalised details, but we wanted to let you know about this opportunity as far in advance as possible, so you have time to financially plan if you wish.

All payments for trips are through our BHASVIC ParentPay account, you will be sent details on how to activate your account once your young person has enrolled, we encourage you to set your account up as soon as possible on receipt of these details to avoid any delays later.

Please be aware that students can only partake in a residential that is organised by the department/s that their courses fall under and that due to the number of students / residential places ratio, students will only be able to apply for one residential. Students are chosen by random selection. Please note that if your young person is planning to engage with our Duke of Edinburgh programme then they will be unable to attend a residential as a qualifying expedition occurs at the same time.

We hope that you have a lovely summer, and we will be back in touch with more details of this trip in the autumn.

Kind regards
Biology & Environmental Science Department