



21st September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Year 9 Science/STEM Trip to
Exploring Tomorrow's Innovations: New Scientist Live School's Day
ExCeL London, One Western Gateway, Royal Victoria Dock, London, E16 1XL
9th October 2023**

We are thrilled to announce an upcoming educational trip that promises to be both enlightening and exhilarating. The Science Department plans to take up to 60 Year 9 students to Exploring Tomorrow's Innovations: New Scientist Live School's Day at ExCeL London, One Western Gateway, Royal Victoria Dock, London E16 1XL on 9th October 2023.

This is a unique event dedicated to bringing the wonders of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) to life. Imagine a day where your child can delve into the surprising maths behind Pokémon, marvel at the engineering feats of racing cars, and even get hands-on with the technology that will shape our future. This isn't just another school trip; it's an opportunity for our students to step beyond the classroom and witness firsthand the magic of STEM in action. Leading universities and pioneering businesses will be showcasing their latest innovations, offering insights into the myriad of career paths available in STEM. Plus, with interactive demonstrations and talks from industry experts, our students will return with not just knowledge, but inspiration. Let's ignite their passion, fuel their curiosity, and set them on a path to becoming the innovators of tomorrow! This trip will provide students with an invaluable and enjoyable experience directly linked to the curriculum around STEM subjects.

We will leave promptly at 9:10am and ask that you ensure your child is ready to meet outside of reception by 8:50am. We expect to return to Rayners Lane Station at approximately 4pm where students will be dismissed and allowed to make their own way home. In the unlikely event of any unforeseen circumstances arising, which prevent the activity taking place, the group will return to Rooks Heath School.

Students must wear full school uniform, including school shoes. Your child will need to bring a packed lunch and a drink. If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals and you would like a free packed lunch provided for them, please contact me on the address below to let us know and we can arrange this. Students may bring a small amount of money to be able to purchase drinks and snacks at the venue. Pens, pencils, and worksheets will be provided.

Please note, we reserve the right to refuse a student's participation in an off-site activity where their current behaviour fails to meet the school's expectations and/or presents a health and safety concern.





A voluntary contribution of £13 is required to cover the cost of travel and the entry fee. There is no obligation to contribute and no student will be omitted from the trip, but it will be necessary to have sufficient voluntary contributions for the activity to take place. The School tries to ensure that all students have the opportunity to experience activities, outside School, regardless of their financial circumstances. However, if we do not receive sufficient contributions, then we will be unable to cover the cost of the trip and it will have to be cancelled.

If you would like your child to participate in this trip, please pay using your ParentPay account at www.parentpay.com. If you do not have your log in details please contact Ms Kennard, in the main office. If you do not wish to pay online, please contact the main office for a PayPoint letter which you can take to your local Paypoint enabled store and make a payment using the printed barcode. Payment must be received by 29th September to allow the School sufficient time to plan the trip. If the trip is oversubscribed by the deadline, names of students who can participate will be selected at random.

Yours faithfully,

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