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27 September 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian

**Re: Year 9 & 10 - Science Live, London - Friday 6 December 2024**

The Science department would like to offer your child the opportunity to attend GCSE Science Live at the Dominion Theatre, London. GCSE Science Live is an excellent opportunity to watch five of Britain's top scientists, all working at the cutting edge of their specialism, present their research. In addition, there is a presentation from an experienced AQA GCSE science examiner offering top tips on examination success. The primary objective is to generate a greater enthusiasm for science amongst the students.

The trip will take place on Friday 6 December 2024. Students will meet at 7:30am in front of the swimming pool by the coach. Students will travel by coach and will leave school promptly at 7:45am and return at approximately 5:30pm (we will be leaving London at 3:15pm).

All students will require a packed lunch and a water bottle. If your child is entitled to a free school lunch, this will be provided for them. Students will be representing the school on this trip so the highest standards of behaviour will be expected. Students are required to wear school uniform.

The cost of a place on the trip is £56.50 which covers tickets to GCSE Science Live and coach hire costs.

Please complete the parental agreement form online through your ParentPay account to give consent for your child to attend this trip. You will be asked to provide your emergency contact details and any relevant medical information. If a deposit, or full payment, is required this will also need to be paid at the time. If you have not already activated your ParentPay account and require your login details please do not hesitate to contact the Finance Office at [finance@wildern.org](mailto:finance@wildern.org).

If you have been notified that we as a school receive Pupil Premium funding for your child, part of the cost of this trip will be subsidised, and parents will be asked to pay the first £10.00. If this is the case, your ParentPay account will automatically reflect this but please complete the consent, emergency contact information and medical details through ParentPay as usual. The same procedures regarding oversubscription for the trip will apply.

**If you would like your child to attend please complete the online ParentPay medical and consent section accompanied by a payment of £56.50 by Thursday 10 October 2024.**

There are 40 places available. In the event of oversubscription we will endeavour to take into consideration any students who may have missed out on trips previously due to oversubscription, and will allocate any further places by drawing names out of a hat. In the event of a place not being allocated, any monies received will be returned.

When taking a trip we take as many students as possible within the constraints we are bound by. We have to consider venue restrictions, travel arrangements and the impact on the rest of the school when staff are taken out of their curriculum areas to support a trip. Staff running and supporting our school trips often do this outside of their working hours and do so voluntarily. As a school we work extremely hard to get this balance right for all parties involved.

Photographs and updates from this trip will be put on the Schools 'Wildern Trip' accounts: [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#)

**Teachers accompanying trips carry enormous responsibility for the students in their care. The Senior Leadership Team reserve the right to withdraw students from the trip at any time should a student's attitude or behaviour not meet our expectations as a school. The Senior Leadership team will also consider whether allowing a student on a trip will cause concern with regards to safeguarding for them, other students or staff, and will make a decision based on this should it be necessary.**

Yours sincerely

**Mr G Berreen**

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