



19th November 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

GCSE Science Live! at City Hall, Sheffield on Wednesday 5th March 2025 – Year 9 Science Students

The science department would like to invite your child on a trip to GCSE Science Live!. GCSE Science Live! is a chance to see and hear five of Britain's top scientists, Professor Jim Al-Khalili, Dr Giles Yeo, Dr Tim Gabriel, Dr Hannah Critchlow and Dr Anna Ploszajski, all working at the cutting edge of their specialism. It will also help improve their GCSE results with top tips on examination success from an experienced science examiner. Each pupil will receive a well-produced booklet with details about each scientist, the lectures, and some general articles about studying science and working as scientists – as well as a number of pieces from an experienced chief examiner on success with Science GCSE.

The cost of the trip is **£38**, which covers both entry into the event and transport. **Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. To secure your child's place, please login to ParentPay, select items to pay, and make your payment by Friday 5th December 2024.** Please note, because places are limited for this trip, the item will automatically close on ParentPay once all the places are filled. If you have any queries in relation to payment or think you may need financial assistance, please contact finance@stokesley-alt.uk as soon as possible.

We plan to leave Stokesley School at 8.00am and will depart from City Hall at 3.15pm, returning to school at approximately 6.15pm. As this is before and after normal school transport times, please make alternative arrangements for your child to get to school on the morning, and home on the evening. Students will be supervised by staff at all times during the day.

Full school uniform is expected to be worn. Students will need to bring a packed lunch and drinks for the day; if your child receives free school meals, the school will provide a packed lunch. It is important that staff responsible for your child are fully aware of all medical details so if there have been any recent changes in their medical situation, please let their tutor know or email admin@stokesley-alt.uk so that our information can be brought up to date.

Students will need to follow rules and procedures from staff at all times, and we must inform you that parents may need to take responsibility for collecting their child if illness or unacceptable behaviour occurs during the trip.

When leading an educational visit, staff need to be sure that students will comply with the code of conduct. Behaviour in school will be considered before a child is offered a place on an educational visit.

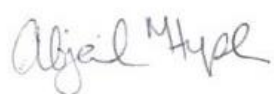
In the lead up to any educational visit, the following behavioural triggers will be considered:

- The number of behaviour points a student receives
- Any internal suspensions
- Any external fixed term suspensions
- Any safeguarding concerns that may mean it is unsafe for a student to be on the trip

Any concerns relating to behaviour or safeguarding that may have an impact on a student being able to attend an education visit will be communicated with both students and parents as soon as possible.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please email admin@stokesley-alt.uk.

Yours faithfully



Abigail Hope
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