



The Kings of Wessex Academy

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November 2017

Dear Parent / Guardian

Visit to GCSE ScienceLive! – 29th January 2018

The Science department are delighted to be able to offer our year 10 students the opportunity to visit Science Live on Monday 29th January 2018. Although the visit is not essential to the GCSE course, it will support your son / daughter with their GCSE.

ScienceLive! organises exciting Science days specifically designed for GCSE Science students. They provide an opportunity for students to see presentations from five of Britain's top scientists, all working at the cutting edge of their specialisms. I am delighted to report that the Science Department have been fortunate enough to secure 50 seats for this year's event to be held at The Colston Hall in Bristol on the 29th January. The scientists presenting at the event are Professor Robert Winston, Professor Andrea Sella, Professor Jim Al-Khalili, Professor Steve Jones and Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock. They will also receive valuable advice from a GCSE Science Examiner

The trip will leave on the 29th January at 9.00am, returning at approximately 4.00pm. It is therefore unlikely that students will arrive back at the Academy in time to catch their bus home and will require collecting from school. The total cost of this trip will be £26.00, which includes coach travel and admission to the event. All students must wear school uniform and bring a packed lunch and something to write with.

This visit will have a very positive impact on knowledge and understanding. Places are limited; if the trip is oversubscribed we will allocate places by drawing students' names at random. If you would like your child to attend we ask that you return the form herewith to Mr Webber in the Science department. This needs to be with us by Friday 1st December. Students that have been picked will receive a letter on Monday 4th December stating that they have been successful and it will contain payment instructions. The successful student list will also be available to view on Firefly (There will be instructions about the payment on this letter.)

As with all Academy trips students will be expected to uphold the reputation of the Academy, therefore exceptional behaviour is expected at all times throughout the day and in the lead up to the trip. Failure to do this could result in students losing both their place and any payments made to date. Poor absence in the run up to an enrichment activity may result in the place being withdrawn and loss of all payments to date. This decision would be made at the discretion of the Academy. Absence following a school activity (for example: tiredness due to a late return, or sore feet following an extensive day walking) will not be authorised unless medical certification is provided. Without this evidence, students may not be allowed to attend further Academy enrichment activities.

Many thanks for your ongoing support of the enrichment programme

Yours sincerely,

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PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

The Kings of Wessex Academy, Cheddar

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As parent/guardian of _____ Tutor Group _____ I have read, fully understood and am satisfied with the details supplied about the above-mentioned activity and agree to my son/daughter taking part in it. I know of no medical reason why he/she should not participate. I am aware that

- a) Except for visits abroad, insurance arrangements are the same as those for pupils in the Academy, i.e. only provides cover if negligence is proven or accepted by the Academy and/or its employees.
- b) I should consider making my own insurance arrangements for personal accident cover for my son/daughter for Academy activities in the UK
- c) If a medical condition is diagnosed after final payment parents may choose to withdraw their child. Equally if the Academy feels they cannot accommodate the student within the pre-existing arrangement for the trip, the Academy reserves the right to withdraw the student place.

Signed _____

Date _____

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