

3rd February 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

A-Level Physics Trip to Geneva and CERN

A Kings of Wessex trip to Geneva and CERN for A-Level Physics students has been provisionally booked for October 2022 during the first week of the Autumn Half Term holiday. The trip will depart on Tuesday 25th October and return on Thursday 27th October. The trip is open to current Year 12 students studying A-Level Physics and Year 11 students intending to study A-Level Physics from September 2022.

The main focus of the trip is to visit CERN, which has a significant connection to the A-Level Physics curriculum. Dependant on time, we will also have the opportunity to visit the UN, the Natural History Museum, and the History of Science Museum in Geneva.

Travel will be by air from Bristol airport. Students will meet at the airport before departure and students will need to be collected from the airport upon their return. The total cost of the trip will be **£450** (payable in instalments) which will include the following: -

- Return air flights
- 2 nights half board accommodation
- Organised tour to CERN
- Full insurance cover, including COVID guarantee

Not included:

- Meals on route
- Lunches
- Spending money
- Drop off and Collection from Bristol Airport

A non-refundable deposit of **£120.00, will be required by Tuesday 8th February 2022, payable online via ParentPay (from 7.00am on Friday 4th February)**. This is important in order to confirm the flights at the current price. The second instalment of **£200 will be due on 9th March 2022**, and the remaining payment of **£130 should be made by 13th April 2022**. If you are unable to pay online you can pay by cash at a store showing the Paypoint logo. You will need a Paypoint letter which is available from the school office. The letter has a barcode which is unique to this trip. ParentPay is also used as acceptance of your parental consent and confirmation that you are satisfied with the arrangements outlined above.

The quoted price is based on 20 or more students attending the trip. **Please note that the trip may still run if there are fewer than 20 students, but an additional cost may be added by the travel company.** We

anticipate, however, that this will be a popular trip. Should your child withdraw from the trip, we are only able to offer a refund if their place can be filled by another student.


The full and final payment can be made immediately. If you chose to use the payment plan, **it is essential that the second payment is made by 9th March 2022 and the full amount by 13th April 2022.** All above deadlines must be met in order to secure a place on the trip.

A full medical form and Code of Conduct will be required prior to departure and will be issued nearer the time. Please ensure your child has a valid passport as we will require a copy prior to the trip.

Please be aware that the current requirements for travel to a foreign country could change in the lead up to the trip. It is individuals' responsibility to keep aware of the requirements for travel. The latest advice can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice>.

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 trip and in the lead up to the trip. All enrichment activities have a short meeting prior to the date of travel, the date and time of the meeting is circulated via tutors and Firefly. It is essential all students attend these. For residential trips we ask that parents/carers attend a short briefing prior to departure. If you have any queries about the trip please do not hesitate to contact the Academy on 01934 742608 or Mr T James (TJames@kovessex.xo.uk).

Yours sincerely,



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