

Ref: PS162/Science/CSH/LDE

9th February 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians

**Re: Chichester Planetarium, 18th/19th May from 08:00-15:00**

The Science Department is offering Year 7 students a day trip to Chichester Planetarium on the 18th & 19th May.

**Details of the trip.**

The cost of the trip, is £9 per student

The cost includes the train fare and planetarium entrance.

Not included in the price is the cost of lunch.

Should there be changes in government guidelines which results in a trip having to be cancelled as has happened previously during the pandemic, we are no longer able to claim on WSCC insurance for any loss. For this reason we are now only booking trips where the company providing the trip offers a robust cancellation/refund system in respect of Covid cancellations.

At the time of writing there are currently no Government Covid restrictions that may apply to this trip. However, as the Covid 19 situation may change, we will have to follow the Government guidance in place at the time of the trip. This may also include specific requirements that **Chichester planetarium** has at that time.

Therefore it is necessary to point out that should your child be unwell at the time of the trip or is unable to take part in the trip due to Covid 19 restrictions, then unless we are able to find a student to take your child's place, you will not receive a refund for the place you have booked.

To register your child's interest in this trip please complete the google reply [here](#) by **17th February 2023**.

If we receive more than **240** applications, places will be allocated by ballot. A list of students who have been unsuccessful will be kept and, if places subsequently become available, they will be again allocated by ballot.

You will be advised if your child is successful by 24th February 2023, at which point we will require an immediate non- refundable payment of £9 via ParentPay to secure the place. Please do not try to pay for the trip on parent pay until you have confirmation from us that your

child has a place.

The balance of the trip will be payable by **20th April**.

We must tell you that, as the school could not bear any of the costs of the trip without reducing its ability to provide the books and materials that are essential for its curricular needs, the trip cannot take place unless all parents who are able to are willing to contribute. If you would like your child to participate, but are unable to contribute the full amount please contact me in confidence, in writing, by **24th February**.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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