

To: Parents/Carers of Students involved in the UK Space Design Competition

Our Ref: 127845

27 January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: UK Space Design Competition National Finals

The Physics department is pleased to be able to offer your son/daughter the opportunity to participate in a visit to Imperial College, London for the finals of the UK Space Design competition. The dates of the visit are Friday 13 March 2020 to Sunday 15 March 2020. We will depart South Hunsley at 5pm and return at approximately 9:30pm.

Accommodation during the competition is provided by the organisers in the Holiday Inn Express at Earls Court, however students will need to pay for the Friday night accommodation as this is not provided by the organisers. Meals are provided by the organisers once the competition starts on Saturday morning. We have secured accommodation on the Friday night in the same hotel (Holiday Inn Express – Earls Court) on a B&B basis.

The competition will run from approximately 8am on Saturday morning through to 5pm on Sunday with your son/daughter working as a member of a larger team in an expanded version of the competition that they took part in at the University of York in November. Members of the winning team may subsequently be selected to go to NASA in America to represent the UK in an international competition.

Rachel Westerby, will be attending as the female member of staff. She is also a teacher (though not at South Hunsley) and has attended as a volunteer member of staff on several South Hunsley residential visits over the last five years.

As a school we work to ensure that the costs of all our visits are minimised, so that as many students as possible can take advantage of these valuable learning experiences. In this case, to be able to offer the visit, we are requesting a contribution of £95 per student. If the level of contributions fails to cover the costs then the visit may be cancelled. Where this happens, all monies will be returned. **Otherwise, all deposits are non-refundable.** Students who are entitled to free school meals may arrange for a packed lunch to be provided for the visit (available upon request).

If you would like your son/daughter to attend this visit then please complete the attached slip and return it to Sandy Loynd by Tuesday 25 February 2020.

You can make your contribution payment by using our secure internet payment site <https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk>. If you require any assistance in using this site or if you need your login details please e-mail [finance@southhunsley.org.uk](mailto:finance@southhunsley.org.uk). If you do not have access to the internet then please contact the Finance department via telephone on 01482 631 208 to arrange an alternative method of payment.

A non-refundable deposit of £50 must be received by Tuesday 25 February 2020 to confirm a place on the visit.

All visit contributions must be received by Friday 6 March 2020.

Due to the nature of the competition, students may have the opportunity to briefly leave the building to buy food/drink unsupervised. Please confirm that you give your son/daughter permission to go unaccompanied by staff, as part of a small group, to a local shop for this purpose.

Yours faithfully



Sandy Loynd  
Trust School Improvement Leader for Physics

**UK Space Design Competition Friday 13 March – Sunday 15 March 2020**

I wish \_\_\_\_\_ (Student Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Form) to attend the UK Space Design Competition visit.

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions of the visit in this letter and give my son/daughter permission to briefly leave the venue unsupervised to buy food or drink.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

Please return signed slip to Mr Loynd by Tuesday 25 February 2020.