

20th September 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

Y12 National Space Centre 21st November 2016

A visit has been arranged to The National Space Academy, Leicester on 21st November 2016. The UK Space Industry has an annual turnover of £9.1bn and employs close to 29,000 people. It is a very healthy sector with projected growth to £14bn by 2020. In order to meet this growth target the industry needs young people to choose science and engineering options and decide to work in this area. The variety of jobs available within the space industry is vast and many companies work on international projects highlighting the importance of collaboration.

This is an event for Post 16 students with an interest in following a science and engineering career path. It will allow the students to find out more about the careers in the UK space sector and related industries. Graduate trainees, post graduate students, and apprentices are involved, giving students a chance to talk to people at an early stage in their careers about their career choices and working environments.

The day involves a series of talks and presentations, from various companies and/or universities within the sector, and the students get the chance to pick which speakers they would like to see most. We also provide a 'meet the scientist' exhibition style section to the day, where the students will get the chance to speak directly to speakers, with the opportunity to ask any question they have about the work they do, while the presenters showcase some of their specialist equipment.

The students will be travelling by coach, accompanied by Mrs Robbins and should meet in the turning circle at 7.00am to leave promptly. We would anticipate that they will arrive back at school at approximately 5.30pm. Normal school uniform rules apply and the students will be required to take a packed lunch.

The total cost of the trips is £28.50 per student which, in accordance with the Governors' policy on charging, must be met by voluntary contributions. Payment can either be made via ParentPay or by a cheque made payable to 'Roundwood Park School'. In cases of financial hardship, please contact me in confidence as soon as possible, but in any event by **30th September 2016**. The school applies for financial assistance to a local charity which has very limited resources and therefore assistance can only be given if certain financial criteria can be fulfilled. **The payment deadline for this trip is 31st October 2016**.

If you would like your son/daughter to attend please complete the reply slip below and return it to the Finance Office with your payment. If paying by ParentPay, consent is given online and therefore the reply slip below is not required. Please note that all payments are non-refundable unless a replacement can be found in the school. Any such trip puts a great deal of added responsibility on staff and that we reserve the right to refuse those pupils to participate whose behaviour gives grounds for concern.

The medical details used on day trips are taken from the updated data caption forms completed by parents in the Autumn Term 2015, or in the case of more recent students, the parental consent form sent when they joined. If any medical information has changed it is the parent's responsibility to advise the school as a matter of urgency by email to k.mchale@roundwoodpark.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K McHale - Day	y Trip Co-ordinator			
Reply slip (return	to Finance Office; not required in my son/daughter to attend.		Y12 Nat Space Ce	ntre2016/17 – 21/11/16
Student name: I enclose my cheque payment of £28.50)			Form:	
	as the following medical condition to applicable please state 'N/A')	n, will/will not take his/her medica	ation with him/her and ca	an/cannot administer it
I confirm that no de	tails have changed since the rec	cent consent form was completed	d.	
Signed:	(Parent/Carer) Date:			
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