

September 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

We are pleased to offer the opportunity for a group of A Level Physicists to go on a trip to CERN in Geneva to visit the Large Hadron Collider. At CERN students will be shown two of the main sites where particle collisions are observed, visit exhibitions and listen to a lecture on the exciting world of particle physics. This is an integral part of the A Level course and will enable students to see how theory is put into practice and how international scientists all collaborate to further our understanding of the subatomic world.

The trip is due to leave on **23rd January 2025**, the total cost for the trip is £570, students would require any personal spending money, lunch on Thursday which can be purchased at the airport and approximately £20 for lunch on the Friday which will be in the cafeteria in CERN. Please be warned it is very expensive in Switzerland, there is a small gift shop at CERN which does a modest range of souvenirs. The payment schedule for the trip is as follows:

- First, non-refundable deposit of £100 by 13th September 2024
- Second instalment of £100 by 30th September 2024
- Third instalment of £370 by 30th November 2024

All payments need to be made using the school's on-line Wisepay facility. Please make a note of your Wisepay receipt reference, as you will need to provide this on the attached medical form. Receipts are automatically generated on Wisepay and sent to the email address you supply when making the payment.

We will fly from Gatwick Airport and students will be taken by coach on Thursday 23rd January and will return by coach on Saturday 25th January at approximately 10pm. The costs allows for hand luggage only as we want to keep costs to a minimum. It is likely to be cold so layers will be important!



STUDENT NAME TUTOR

TO BE RETURNED TO Mrs Green by 30th September 2024

The provisional itinerary for the trip is listed below:

CERN: SMASHING THE ATOM

3 days and 2 nights.

Departing: Thu 23 Jan 2025 - Returning: Sat 25 Jan 2025

PROVISIONAL ITINERARY DETAILS

Thu 23 Jan 2025 07:40 Depart School by Coach

Private coach airport transfer is included.

10:40 Check in at airport London Gatwick

12:40 Flight Departure easyJet

EasyJet's luggage policy permits passengers to bring a small cabin bag only (max. 45 x 36 x 20cm).

I have included one piece of 15kg hold luggage - please let me know if you would like to add any more.

Flight times subject to availability.

15:20 Flight Arrival Geneva International Airport

Public Transport Free Geneva Public Transport Card

You will all receive a Free Geneva Transport card. This will provide you with unlimited use of public transport throughout your stay, including your airport transfers by train.

16:30 Check-in to Accommodation Geneva Hostel

This excellent youth hostel is our first choice of accommodation for school groups.

Your meal plan is HALF-BOARD.

Based on students in multi-bed rooms and teachers in two singles.

Subject to availability - let me know if you would like me to check!

17:30 At leisure Geneva's Waterfront

Enjoy Geneva's stylish waterfront district! Stroll along Rue du Mt Blanc, see the iconic Jet d'Eau and stroll up towards the beautiful Park Mon Repos.

18:30 Restaurant Meal Restaurant Edelweiss

Enjoy a traditional Swiss fondue to the tune of a live folkloric band that'll oompah throughout the dinner hour!

Fri 24 Jan 2025 07:00 Meal Breakfast at the hostel

Included.

09:00 Guided Tour CERN

Booked by party leader.

Tour duration: 3h approx.

12:45 Meal Lunch at CERN restaurant

Please allow 20-25 Swiss Francs per person, payable by cash or card.

14:00 Visit CERN Science Gateway

Hands-on experiments, real scientific objects, immersive environments and interactivity, the exhibitions at Science Gateway bring CERN to life!

CERN advise booking this when booking your tour.

17:00 Approx At leisure Geneva's Waterfront

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18:30 Meal Dinner at the hostel

Included.



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Sat 25 Jan 2025 09:00 Meal Breakfast at the hostel

Included.

10:30 Museum History of Science Museum

Admire the collection of historical scientific apparatus at Geneva's History of Science Museum, a striking contrast with the cutting-edge technology at CERN.

Free visit.

12:30 At leisure Geneva's Old Quarter

Explore Geneva's picturesque Old Quarter. We recommend that you climb the tower of St Peter's Cathedral for spectacular views of Geneva and the lake (entrance 5CHF each for groups of more than 15).

Visit (optional) Musée d'Art et d'Histoire

With a collection that boasts over half a million objects, the Musée d'Art et d'Histoire is one of Switzerland's most important museums.

Entrance to the museum's permanent collection is free.

16:40 Check in at airport Geneva International Airport

18:40 Flight Departure easyJet

Flight times are subject to availability.

19:15 Flight Arrival London Gatwick

20:00 Transfer Coach

Private coach transfer back to school is included.

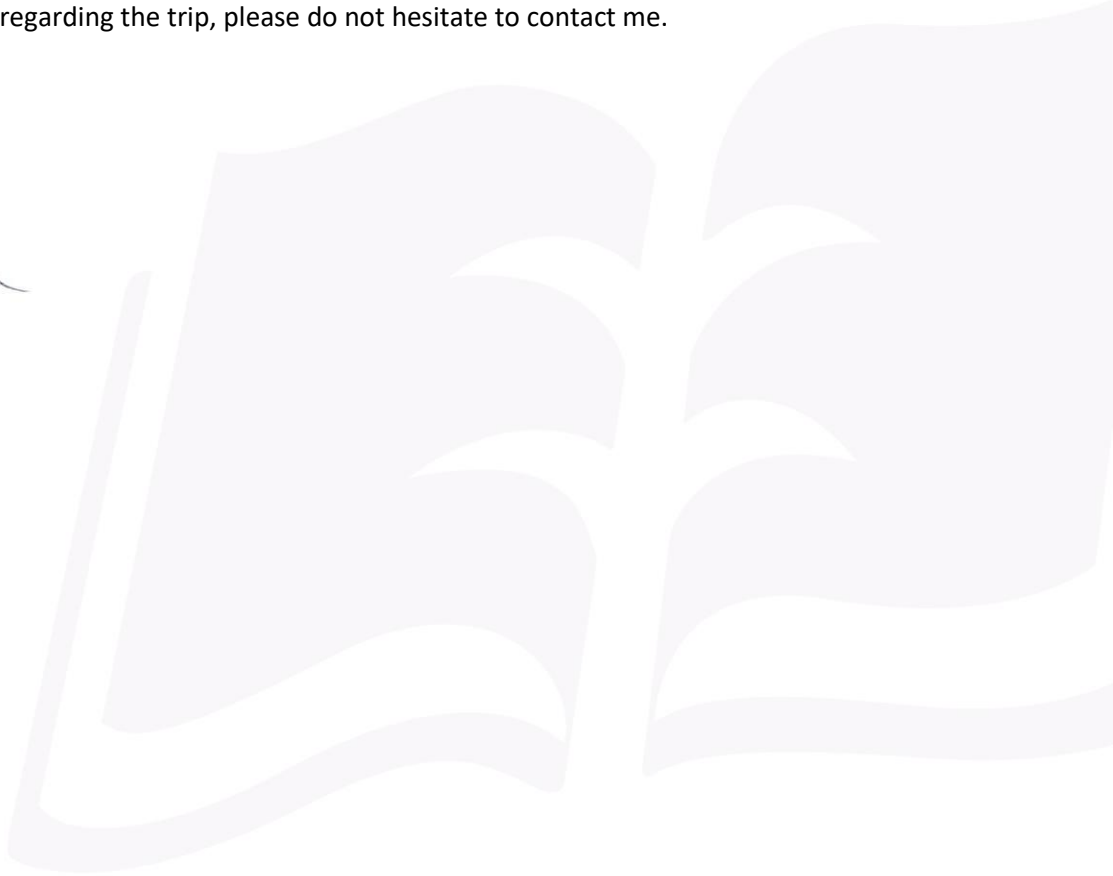
22:30 Return HOME

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If you have any queries regarding the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Linda Green
Head of Physics
Highcliffe School





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PARENTAL CONSENT FORM (for children and young people under the age of 18)			
Event: Trip to CERN		Date: 23 - 25 January 2025	
Student Name:			
MEDICAL / EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION			
PRIMARY EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS		ALTERNATIVE EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS	
Name of contact:		Name of contact:	
Contact telephone number:		Contact telephone number:	
Relationship to student:		Relationship to student:	
STUDENT'S MEDICAL INFORMATION			
Please provide detail of all medical conditions and illnesses and any treatments required to maintain health and are significant to this trip			
Asthma or bronchitis	YES / NO	Allergies to any known medication	YES / NO
Heart condition	YES / NO	Any other allergies, e.g. material, food, plasters	YES / NO
Fits, fainting or blackouts	YES / NO	Other illness or disability	YES / NO
Severe headaches	YES / NO	Travel sickness	YES / NO
Diabetes	YES / NO	Regular medication	YES / NO
Allergy Treatment - Anaphylaxis	YES / NO	Allergy Treatment - Histamine	YES / NO
If the answer to any of these questions is YES, please give details:			
DIETARY REQUIREMENTS			
<input type="checkbox"/> None		<input type="checkbox"/> Gluten Free	
<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (including food allergies)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Vegan			
TRIP PAYMENT - All trip payments are to be made using WisePay			
I have paid using WisePay and my reference number is			
CONSENT DECLARATION			
I have received full details of the event, am satisfied with the arrangements and give consent for my child to take part in the proposed event.			YES / NO
I give consent for him/her to receive emergency medical treatment, including anaesthetic, as considered necessary by any medical doctor present, should the need arise. I have provided detail of all medical conditions and illnesses and any treatments required to maintain health. I give consent for the members of staff to act 'en loco parentis' for the duration of the trip.			YES / NO
I give consent for my child to be photographed during the event and for these photographs to be used in school media.			YES / NO
Any other information that may affect the safety of my child or any other persons and/or the organisation of the event has been provided to the organiser.			YES / NO
Signed:		Print Name:	Date: