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Dear Parent/Carer

GCSE Science Live: Trip to Cambridge Corn Exchange

I am pleased to offer this opportunity for 75 of our Year 9 students to visit the Cambridge Corn Exchange on 7th February 2024. This trip will offer our students the chance to listen to five scientists, who are experts in their field, give lectures specifically designed for students currently studying the GCSE curriculum and help them to see how what they are learning in lessons can lead to several careers and fields in a wide variety of scientific settings.

The scientist speaking are:

- Professor Lord Robert Winston
- Professor Dave Cliff
- Professor Steve Jones
- Dr Helen Czerski
- Dr Anna Ploszajski

Essential Information

Date of trip: 7th February 2024

Departure from college: 9.00am

Return to college: 4.30pm

Due to the nature of the trip, I am only able to offer 75 places. Parents/Carers who wish their child to participate should complete the 'Registration of Interest' on WisePay from 9am on 17th November up until 2pm on 24th November. Once the closing date has passed, 75 students will be randomly selected. Any unsuccessful students will be kept on a waiting list in the event of a withdrawal.

In order for this visit to take place, we ask you to make a contribution of £33. Such a contribution is voluntary but as we have no alternative funds, if sufficient contributions are not received to make the visit financially viable it will have to be cancelled and all contributions will be refunded. In cases of financial hardship, any requests for the contribution to be waived will be treated sympathetically; please contact the principal (Simon Warburton) by email. As this educational visit is taking place in school hours; we are permitted by law (Education Act 1996) to not exclude, from such a visit, students of parents choosing not to contribute to the cost.

If you qualify for Pupil Premium Grant support (FSM students only) and would like to access some of this funding (50% of the cost) towards this trip, please tick the relevant box on the reply slip.

If there are any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me by email: soneil@elycollege.co.uk Please complete the reply slip below and return it to me by **24th November** at the latest.

Yours faithfully

S. O'Neil

Sam O'Neil
Teacher of Science



Meridian
Trust



Artsmark
Silver Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England





GCSE Science Live: Trip to Cambridge Corn Exchange – Mr S O’Neil

Name of Student: Form:

Science Group:

- ☐ I do/do not give permission for my child to participate in the Year 9 Science Live trip
- ☐ I have registered my interest via WisePay for this trip - should my child be selected I am prepared to voluntarily contribute the £33 trip cost.
- ☐ My child qualifies for PP (FSM) and I would like to access some of this funding towards this trip (50%).

Signed (Parent/Carer):

Name in capitals:

Date: