

February 2024



Dear parent/carer

### **Visit to CERN - Geneva, Switzerland - Year 12**

I am writing to inform you about a school visit to CERN, Geneva, Switzerland from Tuesday 23 July 2024 to Thursday 25 July 2024. This visit will improve student's cultural awareness. Students will visit CERN, the Red Cross & Crescent Museum, and have a tour of the United Nations. At CERN, the European Organisation for Nuclear Research, physicists and engineers use the world's largest and most complex instruments to study the basic constituents of matter – the fundamental particles.

Students will meet UHS staff at Heathrow Airport at 5am on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July and travel by plane to and from the Geneva, Switzerland, returning to Heathrow Airport at 6.20pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Students are required to have a passport valid for at least 3 months after the return day. Accommodation is half board, breakfast and dinner are included; however your child will require additional money for any other snacks and drinks they wish to purchase. Further information regarding this trip will be provide closer to the date.

If your child suffers from asthma or requires an EpiPen, it is your responsibility to ensure that the appropriate medication is provided for this trip.

The cost of this trip is £600.00. If you would like your child to participate in this trip, please pay the non-refundable deposit of £150.00, before Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Please note that by paying the non-refundable deposit, you are agreeing for your child to attend this trip and all subsequent payments (also non-refundable) must be made by the dates set out below:  
Second instalment of £150.00 by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
Third instalment of £150.00 by Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
Balance of £150.00 by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

***It is your responsibility as parent/guardian to ensure that your child has a valid passport, medical card (EHIC/GHIC) and Visa (if your child is a non-EU citizen).***

As the school no longer accepts cash or cheques, parents are asked to use ParentPay to pay for this trip. If you are unable to pay online, please contact the school office, who will provide a barcode letter to enable payment at a PayPoint, which is linked to your ParentPay account. If your child receives free school meals and payment should present a problem, please contact the finance team via email to [finance@uhs.org.uk](mailto:finance@uhs.org.uk).

By consenting on ParentPay to this trip, you agree to:

- Your child taking part in the visit as detailed above;
- A member of staff giving consent for your child to receive appropriate medical treatment in the event of an emergency.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

**A Morgan**  
**Head of Learning - Year 11 & Science Teacher**

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