



March 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Your child has been invited to participate in a trip to the University of Nottingham for a Women in STEM day on **Thursday 27 March**. Your child has been selected for this trip as they have expressed an interest in a career in STEM.

The women in STEM event includes contributors from across the university STEM areas. This day will showcase some of the contributions female scientists have made to different fields, as well as giving students the opportunity to meet current women working in science across the university. The day will include:-

- An introductory lecture with all students.
- A guided visit to the cosmic titans art-science exhibition celebrating the year of quantum.
- A meet-the-scientists workshop where students will interview in groups current female PhD students and staff working in STEM areas across the university (Currently representing geosciences, psychology, medicine, life science and engineering)
- An experiments workshop where students will explore a series of short 10 minute practical activities or demonstrations led by departments including data science, physics, computer science and bioscience.

Important Information:

- Timings: We will depart school at 7.15am and will be leaving the university at 3.00pm, with an approximate return to school of 4.00pm.
- Clothing: Students must wear their full school uniform. Please ensure they bring an outdoor coat.
- Lunch: Students should bring a packed lunch. **Please be aware that we have students who may be participating in this trip who have a serious nut allergy. Please avoid giving your child bagged nuts or products with a nut content, as even the smell can cause these students anxiety.**
- If your child is in receipt of free school meals and requires a packed lunch on the day, please order one via ParentPay.
- Spending money: Whilst students should bring a packed lunch, there may be opportunities to purchase snacks or drinks throughout the day. Students can bring a small amount of spending money if they wish to..

The trip is free of charge. However, please login to ParentPay to give permission for your child to participate.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me via email at abaines@heanorgatespencer.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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