



November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Big Bang STEM Fair - Wednesday 11th March 2020

The Design and Technology Department is proposing to organise a visit to the Big Bang UK Young Scientists and Engineers Fair at Birmingham NEC on Wednesday 11th March 2020 to support students' learning in Key Stage 3 Design and Technology and GCSE Engineering.

The trip will leave Higham Lane School around 9.00am, and will return at approximately 3.30pm, depending on traffic. Students are expected to wear full school uniform for the trip and should bring a packed lunch as there will be limited food on offer. Please note that the coach has requested that no glass bottles are bought along on the visit.

We will be asking parents/carers to make a £10 voluntary contribution (which may be subject to change depending upon uptake) towards the cost of the trip. Unfortunately, if insufficient contributions are forthcoming the visit may need to be cancelled. This voluntary contribution is to cover:

- Insurance whilst attending the event
- The cost of travel by coach

At this stage the School is looking for expressions of interest in order to gauge whether there are sufficient numbers for the trip to run. If you would like to express an interest in your son/daughter attending this trip, complete the attached reply slip and return it to me by **Monday 2nd December 2019. Please do not send in any money at this stage.**

Attendance on this trip is entirely voluntary and is not an essential part of the Key Stage 3 Design Technology or GCSE Engineering course for your son/daughter.

Please note that if there are more expressions of interest than there are places available on the visit then students' names will be drawn randomly to allocate places. Further letters regarding this visit will then only be sent to the parents/carers of students who have been provisionally allocated a place on the visit.

Yours sincerely

Miss A Mackey
Acting Subject Leader for Design & Technology

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[] I would like to express an interest in my son/daughter attending the above trip

Pupil name: _____ Form: _____

Signed by parent: _____

Print name: _____

Please submit this form by **Monday 2nd December 2019**

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