

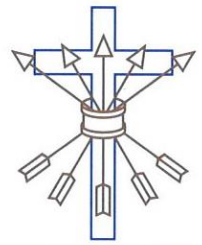
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Dear Parent/Carer

VISIT TO RACE TO SPACE SYMPOSIUM, WESTCOTT, THURSDAY 18 JULY 2024

We are planning a Year 12 Physics visit to attend the “Race to Space Symposium” in Westcott on Thursday 18 July.

The space industry is one of the UK’s fastest growing sectors that has more than tripled in size since 2000 and employs nearly 50,000 people. The government has made it known that this is an area of industry to be targeted for investment and have set a target of capturing 10% of the global space market by 2030.

This visit is intended to help inform and inspire the students in an industry where their Physics skills are sought after. It will give them a chance to meet Space sector industry experts and talk to teams from 19 universities about their rockets. They will also learn about future career opportunities right on our doorstep!

Mr Carr and I will accompany the students. We will travel by school minibus, leaving school at 9.15am and returning at approximately 3.00pm. This means students will be back at school in time for the buses should they require them.

Please note that:

- your son/daughter will be expected to comply with the School Behaviour Policy both whilst travelling and during the visit;
- you should inform the school of any changes to your son/daughter’s medical conditions, emergency contact numbers or any other information that you have already supplied to the school;
- your son/daughter may receive first aid and emergency treatment during the school day, on day trips, sporting fixtures and residential trips. This consent will be valid for the time your son/daughter is a student at Waddesdon CE School unless you inform us otherwise.

There is no charge for this visit.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Tim Ewart

Senior Science Technician (and Physicist)