

2 March 2022

Dear parents and carers,

### **Chemistry trip to University of Oxford – Tuesday 22 March**

I am delighted to inform you that the Chemistry department will be taking Year 12 Chemistry students to the University of Oxford on Tuesday 22 March. During the trip, students will complete a practical workshop in the University's new teaching laboratories. Students will also have the opportunity to visit a St. Hugh's College to find out more about applying for and studying at highly demanding universities such as Oxford. We leave school at 7.30am and return at approximately 5.30pm. Students should meet at the bus layby no later than 7.15am. Please make any necessary return transport arrangements, as we will return after the school buses have departed.

The University has stipulated that students should be appropriately dressed for carrying out practical laboratory work and should have their legs and midribs covered and wear sensible footwear (no open-toed shoes or high heels). Students will be required to bring a packed lunch with them. The cost of the trip is £25 to cover the coach travel. This should be paid via [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) by Friday 18 March. If you experience any difficulty accessing your ParentPay account, please contact the Finance Department at [financequeries@wealdgs.org](mailto:financequeries@wealdgs.org). Parental permission is required and is included as part of the ParentPay transaction. Please ensure that you tick the box to show you consent to an anaesthetic or other urgent medical treatment to be given if required. Please put your emergency contact number and any relevant medical information in the notes field. Please also indicate whether you give your permission for your child to have their photograph taken.

According to the School Trustees' Charging Policy for school trips and visits, we invite you to make a voluntary contribution as shown above if you wish your child to take part in this trip. A student will not be excluded from a trip, if, due to financial hardship, parents or carers are unable to contribute. If this is applicable please the Finance Department. Please note however, that the trip can only run if it receives adequate financial support from parents.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr K Walsh**  
Head of Science