



February 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

ISIS Particle Accelerator Day

I am delighted to invite Year 13 Physics students to take part in the 2020 Particle Physics Masterclass at Rutherford Appleton Laboratories. This event will take place on Wednesday 18 March 2020.

Students will be able to learn more about Particle Physics from working researchers in the field, analyse data from the Large Hadron Collider at CERN and visit the UK's largest particle accelerator (ISIS).

The cost for the activity is £24.00. We will travel to and from the event by school minibus, leaving school at 8.00am and returning at around 6.00pm. Students do not need to wear school uniform; they will need to bring sufficient food and drinks for a long day as there are no facilities to buy food and drink at the site.

Please note that the school's policy is that trips and other activities outside the normal teaching programme should be self-funding. Contributions are voluntary, but if contributions are insufficient the trip may have to be cancelled. No student will be denied participation in the trip/activity because of difficulty in meeting the cost. In cases of genuine financial hardship, please contact Mrs Wilson in the Finance Office, in confidence, by Friday 14 February.

Although this trip is not compulsory, it does significantly enhance the learning of particle physics which is examined this year. It is otherwise an entirely theoretical topic.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in this trip please complete the slip overleaf, and return with payment by WisePay (our preferred option) or by cheque (payable to Ashlyns School) to the Finance Box outside the staffroom by Monday 24 February at the latest. Please note that if payment is made by WisePay, it is not necessary to complete and return the permission slip.

Please contact me at clowe@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Lowe
Head of Science Faculty

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Student Name: _____ Form _____

I give permission for my son/daughter to attend the Particle Physics Masterclass trip on 18 March 2020 and to travel to and from the event by school minibus.

I enclose a cheque for £24.00 (payable to Ashlyns School)

I have been accepted onto the 16-19 Bursary and am requesting funding

Signed _____ (Parent/Carer) Date: _____