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Dear Parent/Carer

## **A2 Physics Trip to CERN**

We are running a trip to the CERN lab in Geneva for students studying A2 Physics from September 2014. As you probably know CERN is the worlds leading Physics research centre including the famed Large Hadron Collider.

The trip will be leaving on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2014 and returning Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2014. During these three days we will be visiting the CERN facility and having a guided tour of the complex. We will also be spending some time visiting the other scientific exhibits at the site including Microcosm and very impressive "Globe of Science". The visit will touch on several parts of the A2 Physics course including work on Particle Physics, Magnetic Fields and Electric Fields as well as giving the students the opportunity to interact with professional Physicists. The present year 13 students who visited CERN with us last year found the trip very interesting and are currently finding that it gave them a great start with the Particle Physics module in year 13.

The cost of the trip is £200 for flights, accommodation and insurance, although this is dependant on the number of students going on the trip and any airline price changes between the time of writing and time of money being paid to the school. You are invited to make a voluntary contribution of £200 which will cover the cost of the visit including transport and other incidental costs. I must, however, tell you that as the school could not bear the cost of the visit, the visit will not take place unless all parents, who are able, are willing to contribute.

Your child should also bring £8 (12CHF) for the United Nations building tour and around £50-£70 (75CHF-100CHF) for food over the 3 days, also some spare "pocket money". All money taken on the trip should be in Swiss Francs. Please also be aware that your child must have a current passport and an EHIC card.

Please be aware that due to the nature of the group bookings for flights and accommodation these are done some time in advance of the trip and as such refunds will not be possible should your child wish to withdraw from the trip.

If you wish for your child to take up this opportunity please return the trip choice slip, the attached consent form and a cheque for £200 made payable to Sackville School, you can also pay online. Please be aware that places are available on a first come first served basis with only 21 places available. If you have any questions about the trip please do not hesitate to email me at [pwilcox@wsgfl.org.uk](mailto:pwilcox@wsgfl.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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To: Mr P Wilcox **A Level Physics CERN trip September 2014**

Child's name .....

Form .....

I wish my child to attend the CERN trip to Geneva and enclose a cheque for £200 (made payable to Sackville School)/I have paid online (please delete as appropriate).

Signed ..... Parent/Carer

Name .....

