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Dear Parent/Guardian

Bletchley Park – Wednesday 31 January 2024

We are excited to announce an educational and enrichment trip to Bletchley Park for all Year 9 students at Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge. This trip promises to be an educational and memorable experience.

During the trip, students will have the opportunity to explore the historic Bletchley Park, a site of immense significance during World War II where codebreakers deciphered secret messages. This visit will provide our students with valuable insights into the world of mathematics and its real-world applications.

The students will meet in the canteen **at 8:45am** to register and for a prompt departure. We will return to the school by **4pm**.

In order to be able to run this trip, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£27.50** per student which is payable through **ParentPay**. This will cover the cost of the coach and entrance to the museum. We may be able to provide financial assistance for those students who are registered for the Student Premium. Should the financial contribution create any problems, please contact me. Please note that if there are insufficient contributions to cover the cost of this activity, there may be no alternative but to cancel. *Payment should only be made if you agree with the conditions set out in the Parent Agreement below*

For this trip the Payment /Consent deadline is Sunday 12 November 2023

Parent Agreement

I have read the information letter regarding the above named trip and agree to my child participating.

I understand that I am responsible for ensuring:

- That my child arrives for departure on time and for making arrangements for them to get home on our return.
- Staff have up to date and accurate contact and medical details at the time of departure, and all relevant medication. Please email <u>meceoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org</u> if your child's medical information has changed.
- My child has appropriate clothing and food for the trip.

If your child requires any medication e.g. an inhaler this must be brought on the trip or your child will not be allowed on the trip.

Should your child's medical circumstances change, it is your duty to inform the school in writing as soon as possible and before the day of departure.

We will travel by coach to Bletchley Park. We strongly recommend students bring a **packed lunch** as food will be expensive at the museum. If they usually get Free School Meals, a packed lunch will be provided on the day of the trip. The dress code will be **school uniform** but please consider the potential weather conditions for the day including a waterproof/weatherproof coat. During wet weather appropriate clothing will be needed. School rules will apply in regards to make up and jewellery. The students will <u>not</u> be allowed to use their mobile phones during the day except in case of emergency to ring the school's mobile phone held by one of the staff. Once again the advice is not to bring expensive equipment e.g. MP3 players, as the safety of the items cannot be guaranteed. Also they will not be covered by the school's insurance policy.

There will be an opportunity for students to purchase souvenirs during the trip. If you would like to provide your child with some spending money, we recommend an amount of no more than £10. This will allow students to participate in this additional aspect of the trip, should they wish to do so. There will be time where your son/daughter will be allowed to explore the museum. Students will be put into smaller group with an accompanying member of staff. We will issue them with a mobile phone number, a map and also require them to report to a rendezvous point at regular intervals. The students will meet up at **2.30pm** for a final register and will return back to Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge at around **4pm**. Should this be any later, we will ask the students to contact you by phone.

Please note that representing the school on a trip, fixture or at an event is a privilege and we reserve the right to withdraw that privilege for students who are persistently late to school or lessons, do not follow our uniform or behaviour policies or bring the school into disrepute in any way.

Please address any questions regarding this trip to me through the school reception. If you have any queries regarding ParentPay please email <u>mecefinance@maidenerleghtrust.org</u>

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Chopra Head of Maths

Key Information:

Visit to:	Bletchley Park
Trip leader:	Mrs Chopra
Year group and subject:	Year 9
Date:	31 January 2024
Meeting place and time:	Canteen 8:45
Departure time:	asap
Anticipated return time:	16:00
Transport:	Coach
Cost:	£27.50
Dress code:	School Uniform
Food and Drink:	Packed Lunch
Deadline for Payment:	Sunday 12 November 2023