



Bishop's Hatfield Girls' School

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Dear Parents/Carer,

Year 9 History & Computing Trip to Bletchley Park, Wednesday 5th December 2018

We are very pleased to offer a combined History and Computing trip to **Bletchley Park** on **Wednesday 5th December 2018**. As the home of the top-secret World War Two Codebreakers and birthplace of modern information technology, Bletchley Park provides a unique opportunity to enrich pupils' learning of both History and Computing.

We have arranged a full-day of interactive activities with a focus on mathematical coding, ciphers, encryption and the history of World War Two. Pupils will get the opportunity to tour Britain's codebreaking centre and learn about the people who helped to change the course of history. As part of an interactive workshop, pupils will become a Codebreaker and use mathematical encryption and encoding techniques in a codebreaking challenge. They will also get to see a genuine, working Enigma machine and learn about its role in World War Two.

We will be travelling by coach to Bletchley Park, leaving school after registration at **8.55am** and returning at approximately **3.30pm**. **Please note that this is half an hour after the end of school**. Pupils should wear full school uniform and bring a waterproof coat. They will need a packed lunch and you may wish to provide a small amount of pocket money for a souvenir from the gift shop.

The cost of this trip is **£24.00**. Payment of this amount is voluntary, but the reality is that unless sufficient voluntary contributions are made to cover costs, the trip will not take place. Please make payment via WisePay by **Wednesday 28th November 2018**. 50% of the cost of the trip will automatically be met by the school for pupils in receipt of free school meals.

There are limited spaces for this trip. Only those pupils for whom we have received parent/carer permission by the deadline of Wednesday 28th November 2018 will be considered for a place. If pupil numbers exceed the number of places available, then a ballot will be held. Those unsuccessful in the ballot will receive a full refund and be given priority in the next school visit available to them.

If we do not receive payment by Wednesday 28th November 2018, we will assume that you do not wish your child to attend. All pupils not attending will attend lessons as normal on that day.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. We very much hope that pupils will find the event rewarding.

Kind regards,

Mr T. Goodall
Teacher of Computing

Miss S. Maisey
Teacher of History

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