



Bishop's Hatfield Girls' School

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Year 9 Maths & Computing Trip to Bletchley Park, Wednesday 8th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are very pleased to offer a Maths and Computing trip to **Bletchley Park** on **Wednesday 8th March 2023**. 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 your child's learning of both Maths 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, they will become codebreakers and use mathematical encryption and encoding techniques in a code-breaking challenge. Pupils 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 at **8.35am** 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. Your child will need a packed lunch and you may wish to provide a small amount of pocket money for a souvenir from the gift shop. Pupils in receipt of FSM will be provided with a packed lunch to take with them.

The cost of this trip is **£28.50**. 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 **Friday 24th February 2023**. 50% of the cost of the trip will automatically be met by the school for pupils in receipt of free school meals. For pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium whose families are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact Mrs Jackson at mjackson@bishophatfield.herts.sch.uk as some assistance may be given on a case by case basis. If you are able and would like to, there is also the option to purchase an additional space for a disadvantaged pupil.

There are 60 spaces for this trip. Only those pupils for whom we have received parent/carer permission by the deadline of **Friday 24th February** 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 **Friday 24th February**, we will assume that you do not wish your daughter 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.

Kind regards,

Mrs S Price

Teacher of Maths and Computing

"Pupils flourish, and support each other to succeed" - Ofsted

