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Dear Parent/Guardian

### **Re: Bletchley Park – Thursday 6 June 2024**

We will be running a trip to Bletchley Park, the home of British codebreaking and a birthplace of modern Information Technology, for year 7 students, on Thursday 6 June 2024.

Students will spend the day learning about how Alan Turing, the Founder of Computer Science, created the “Bombe” which helped crack the Enigma code helping the allies win WWII. Students will also explore mathematical encryption and encoding techniques that have been used throughout history, tackling complex processes to solve a code breaking challenge. The workshop includes a unique opportunity to see a genuine Enigma machine and be introduced to its design and role in WWII.

Places on the trip are limited to 48. We will be leaving school at 7.30am and returning back to school by approx. 4.30pm. The trip will cost £42.00 for the day, including transport.

The activities will mainly be inside but due to the nature of the site, wet weather clothing is advised and full school uniform is compulsory.

Students will be representing the school on this trip so the highest standards of behaviour will be expected.

All students will require a packed lunch and a water bottle. If your child is entitled to a free school lunch, this will be provided for them. An area will be provided for the students to eat their packed lunch.

Please complete the parental agreement form online through your ParentPay account to give consent for your child to attend this trip. You will be asked to provide your emergency contact details and any relevant medical information. If a deposit, or full payment, is required this will also need to be paid at the time. If you have not already activated your ParentPay account and require your login details please do not hesitate to contact the Finance Office at [finance@wildern.org](mailto:finance@wildern.org).

If you have been notified that we as a school receive Pupil Premium funding for your child, the cost of this trip will be covered. If this is the case, your ParentPay account will automatically reflect this but please complete the consent, emergency contact information and medical details through ParentPay as usual. The same procedures regarding oversubscription for the trip will apply.

**If you would like your child to attend please complete the online ParentPay medical and consent section accompanied by a payment of £42.00 by Wednesday 15 May 2024.**

Photographs and updates from this trip will be put on the Schools 'Wildern Trip' accounts: [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#)

**There are 48 places available.** In the event of oversubscription we will endeavour to take into consideration any students who may have missed out on trips previously due to oversubscription, and will allocate any further places by drawing names out of a hat. In the event of a place not being allocated, any monies received will be returned.

When taking a trip we take as many students as possible within the constraints we are bound by. We have to consider venue restrictions, travel arrangements and the impact on the rest of the school when staff are taken out of their curriculum areas to support a trip. Staff running and supporting our school trips often do this outside of their working hours and do so voluntarily. As a school we work extremely hard to get this balance right for all parties involved.

**Teachers accompanying trips carry enormous responsibility for the students in their care. The Senior Leadership Team reserve the right to withdraw students from the trip at any time should a student's attitude or behaviour not meet our expectations as a school. The Senior Leadership team will also consider whether allowing a student on a trip will cause concern with regards to safeguarding for them, other students or staff, and will make a decision based on this should it be necessary.**

If you have any further enquiries do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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