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30th April 2025

Dear Families,

You were previously contacted about an opportunity Year 5 has been offered to work with the University of Surrey, and we would now like to provide you with further information about this 3-day STEM experience: "How clean is your classroom?"

The University's Widening Participation (WP) Team works to support the development of aspirations and attainment, and provide impartial information, experiences and opportunities to ensure young people have the knowledge and confidence to make informed, independent decisions about their future.

Surrey STARS activities are designed to:

- help raise attainment,
- broaden students' understanding of career opportunities,
- improve confidence in their ability to make future educational choices.

You can find out more about the University of Surrey's WP Team by visiting their website: <u>https://outreach.surrey.ac.uk/</u>

On **Day 1 (Friday 9th May)**, we will have our **Introduction and Experiment Day**, where members of the University of Surrey team will come into our school to work with the children in their own classrooms for the afternoon.

On **Day 2 (Thursday 15th May)**, we will be travelling to the University of Surrey for the **University Campus Day**. We will travel by coach, departing school at 9.15am, and returning at 1.30pm. Pupils are required to wear school uniform, including sensible footwear and suitable outdoor clothing for the campus tour. We will be working in the university science labs, and it is a requirement that long hair is tied back (entry to the lab will not be permitted otherwise). Children will need to bring a water bottle and a packed lunch If you are in receipt of Free School Meals, we may provide you with a packed lunch from school. If you would like to pre order a packed lunch, please complete the attached slip. This must be returned by Thursday 8th May 2025.

On **Day 3 (Friday 23rd May)**, we will have our **Presentation and Certificates Day**, where the University staff will return to our school to reflect on the experience.

There is no cost for this fantastic opportunity, but we will require consent via Scopay for our trip to the University of Surrey on Thursday 15th May 2025. Please ensure you have logged on and consented by Wednesday 14th May.

You were previously sent the Student Information Form (please see attached) and thank you to the majority who have completed this already. If you haven't, please do complete this form as it is a requirement of your child's participation in the experience. This form includes personal data that helps the UniS WP Team to monitor, evaluate and research the activity they run, and ensure that they can continue to deliver this work in future.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office, or email the UniS WP Team directly as <u>wp@surrey.ac.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 5 team.

SHEPHERD TRUST

YEAR 5 Visit to The University of Surrey Friday 9th May 2025

 Child's Name:
 Class:

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 Class:

 My child is entitled to free school meals and I will require school to provide a packed lunch for my child

 Please select a filling: Cheese / Ham

 Signed:
 Parent/Guardian

 'Flourishing together, with God as our firm foundation'