



Dear Parents/Carers,

I have secured a visitor slot at the European Centre for High Energy Particle Physics (CERN) near Geneva, Switzerland. This is a unique opportunity to visit one of the world's most important physics research centres and home to many discoveries about the fundamental structure of the Universe. Particle Physics forms part of the Year 13 A Level Physics syllabus and this visit will complement what the students learn on the course.

The trip will run from Tuesday 8th September 2026 to Wednesday 9th September, the approximate cost is £540.00 subject to the booking of flights and accommodation in Geneva (we will not know the final price until the time of the booking).

The draft itinerary is as follows (subject to change):

Tuesday 8th September	Wednesday 9th September
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Meet at Heathrow airport.Flight from Heathrow Airport to Geneva Airport.Travel by public transport into Geneva.Geneva Treasure Hunt.Boat Trip on the Lake.Visit the United Nations.Dinner in Geneva (included in price) *.Overnight stay in Geneva.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Breakfast (included)*.Travel from Geneva to CERN by public transport.Morning visit to CERN Learning Centre.Lunch at CERN (not included).Guided Tour of CERN.Visit the CERN shop.Return to Geneva.Free time in Geneva.Late evening arrival back in the UK.

*Dinner on the night of the 8th and Breakfast on the 9th are included. It is expected the students will bring money to purchase lunch, drinks and snacks on the two days.

To secure your child's place, in accordance with the school's charging and remissions policy, you are asked to make a voluntary contribution of **£250.00** as a deposit via SCOPAY (www.scopay.com/beaconsfield) by **Friday 23rd January**.

If the trip is undersubscribed, it may not take place, and I would like to remind you that the payments are non-refundable, unless we have a waiting list and we can fully replace your child.

The final payment will be due by 09:00 on Friday 22nd May.

Where Sixth Form students are entitled to 16-19 Bursary, we ask that the students make the payments out of the money received from the bursary, or if you are having difficulty meeting payment deadlines and wish to discuss a payment plan, please contact trips@beaconsfieldhigh.school

If you have any questions, please contact me directly gawne-s@beaconsfieldhigh.school.

Further information, including a confirmed itinerary will follow in due course.

Yours faithfully,

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