

*Hand in hand together we will become resilient, respectful and responsible citizens of our community and the wider world*



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### **Year 6 Science and Technology Trip**



Dear Parents/Legal Guardians,

As part of our Science curriculum and to inspire our Year 6 pupils to become interested in a future career in science we have been lucky enough to be promoted from the reserve list and now have tickets for the Year 6 children to attend the Bring it On Conference at the Stadium of Light, Sunderland on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017.

***Bring it On! is the first event of its kind in the North East. It will showcase the many exciting businesses and opportunities in North East engineering, inspiring and motivating young people aged 10-14 to choose it as their future career.***

***Businesses will be bringing exciting exhibitions and machinery to really show the breadth of engineering activities taking place from the Yorkshire border, to the Scottish border, Pennines to the sea.***

The cost of the exhibition is free. However, after much haggling the bus transport costs still came in at £180.00 which would mean an individual cost to each family **of £30.00, we feel that this was totally prohibitive for families.**

Therefore to enhance the trip further and be more cost effective we will be travelling to and from the event by train from Alnmouth to Newcastle Central Station and then from Newcastle Central Station to Stadium of Light by Metro. There will be a short walk to the stadium. As with all trips full Risk Assessments have been carried out. I will be taking the children, accompanied by another adult and the ratio will be 1 adult to only 3 children.

Using these forms of public transport and going to a stadium event will be so inspiring for our children!

**The cost per child with a subsidy from the PTA if we travel in this way will only be £6.00 per child.**

**For this to happen I need your help.....**

**I will need you to commit** to transporting your children to Alnmouth Station ( or arranging a lift with another family) and meeting me at - 7.39 a.m. (at least 20 minutes before the 8.01 a.m. train. I will be on the southbound platform from 7.30 a.m.).

Website: [www.whittinghamprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.whittinghamprimaryschool.co.uk)

We will get the 8.10 train and arrive at Central Station at 8.32 a.m..

We will get the 8.41 metro from Newcastle Central Station to arrive at Stadium of Light at 9.11 a.m. and we have arranged for a slightly later arrival time to enable us to start with the Civil Engineering Workshop.

( Please see proposed schedule for the event below.)

#### YOUR SCHEDULE

09:00	Arrival
10:00	Civil Engineering Zone
10:40	Automotive Zone
11:20	Subsea Zone
12:00	Lunch
13:00	Engineer your Career Zone
14:00	Chemical Zone
14:40	Digital Zone
15:20	Plenary
16:00	Finish
16:30	Depart

We have arranged to depart at 4 p.m. to enable us to get the 4.14 p.m. Metro which will get us to Central station in plenty time for the 5.37 p.m. train which will get us back to Alnmouth for 6 p.m.

You will then need to be able to pick up your child at Alnmouth Station from the train on the northbound platform at 6p.m.

As this is quite a long day you may wish to provide your child with additional snacks and drinks.

If you child has a school meal they will be provided with a school packed lunch.

**Please could you let school know by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September if you are able to arrange for your child to be picked up and taken from Alnmouth Station? If there are not enough people to make this commitment unfortunately I WILL HAVE NO OPTION BUT TO CANCEL THE TRIP AND OFFER THE TICKETS TO ANOTHER SCHOOL.**

Many Thanks,

Belinda Athey – Headteacher.

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To Whittingham C of E Primary School I have/ have not arranged for my child to be transported to and from Alnmouth Station on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

I give permission for my child to take part in the event as detailed in the agenda and give permission for them to travel by the transport indicated.

I enclose a contribution of £6.00 towards the costs of transport.

Signed .....