



23 October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

GCSE Science Live! Monday 26th February 2024

I am delighted to invite your child to a very special event for all Triple Science students at Key Stage 4, Year 10 and 11. GCSE Science Live! will be held at Birmingham Symphony Hall on Monday 26th February 2024.

The students will hear from engaging, well known scientists in their field about topics relevant to the specification they are studying, and hopefully their studies beyond GCSE. The Scientists expected to attend are:

Lord Professor Robert Winston – The pioneer for IVF treatment in the UK

Professor Jim Al-Khalili – Professor of Physics at the University of Surrey and BBC Radio 4 presenter, plus science documentary creator for the BBC.

Dr Helen Czerski - Physicist, oceanographer and broadcaster for the BBC based at University College London who researches bubbles and fluid dynamics.

Dr Hannah Critchlow – A neuroscientist and author who is named one of the top 100 Scientists in the UK for her work in this field.

Dr Giles Yeo – Principal Research Associate at the Metabolic Research Laboratories and Director of Genomics/Transcriptomics at the MRC Metabolic Diseases Unit, University of Cambridge.

There will also be a Chief Examiner present who will help support students in tackling GCSE questions ready for their exams.

This is an exciting opportunity for our students, and we would really like all triple scientists to attend.

The coach will leave the Academy at 9:00am and return at approximately 4:30pm, students will need to arrive at the Academy at normal time and in full school uniform.

Please provide your child with a packed lunch and for any students in receipt of free school meals this will be provided by the Academy. Snacks will also be available to purchase at the Symphony Hall so students may also bring some money for this.

The total cost of this trip is £33.00, payable via ParentPay.

If you have any questions or queries regarding this event, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Please ask your child to return the reply slip attached to me by 30th November 2023.

Yours sincerely

R Flanagan

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Please return to Mrs Flanagan, in room 317 by 30th November 2023

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Student Name: **Form**

I give permission for my child to attend GCSE Science Live on Monday 26th February 2024

I *give/*do not give consent for my child to be filmed / photographed during the event.
*(*please delete as appropriate)*

I *give/*do not give consent for photographs/filming of my child to be used on our social media platforms, within newsletters, and other promotional material for Thistley Hough Academy and/or Creative Education Trust.
*(*please delete as appropriate)*

I *give/*do not give consent for my child to walk home after the event

Signed: Tel No:
Parent/Carer

Medical information/Dietary Requirements:

Emergency Contact: *(if different from above)*

Name: Tel No