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Dear Parent/Carer

EPQ Research trip to Sheffield University – Tuesday 17 April 2018 - 8.50am – 4.30pm

Trip Leader: Mrs C Tresidder

To enhance the independent research and taught skills of the EPQ qualification, we have arranged a project-specific research day at Sheffield University.

The purpose of this trip is to introduce students to the wider possibilities for research available to them. This will be a valuable opportunity to carry out some research for their EPQ. It will also be a useful introduction to the levels of academic research available in higher education. The day will be led by a member of the university outreach team and will include a taught session, a whistle-stop look at some of the university buildings and a lunch break - plus a tour of the library and an introduction to using the library resources. Finally, students will have some time for their own research.

This trip will be for a maximum of 45 students so places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. We encourage students to take advantage of this tailored opportunity as it is interesting, relevant and useful. If any students are not sure whether the opportunity applies to their project, they should consult their EPQ tutor.

Please note, the coaches will leave promptly from the Bus Bay at the start of the school day (8.50am). We will depart Sheffield at 3.00pm and hope to return to the QEGS Bus Bay by 4.30pm, so students who normally travel home on school buses need to make alternative arrangements.

Students may wear their own clothes and need to bring with them their EPQ research diary or anything else that will support their independent work that day. They will need a packed lunch and drink, or money to buy food on site.

The cost of this trip will be £7.50 per student to cover the cost of transport by coach to and from QEGS, plus administrative costs. The law does not allow us to make a charge for this type of activity, though we may ask for voluntary contributions. No student may be excluded from the activity because of a parent's unwillingness or inability to make a financial contribution, but unless the voluntary contributions cover the cost of the activity, it cannot go ahead. The payment should be made via the ParentPay* system by Friday 13 April 2018.

We would be grateful for your prompt response.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Tresidder

KS5 Learning Mentor and EPQ Tutor

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