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Dear Parent/Carer,

Step into STEM programme – Keele University trip

On **Wednesday 6th May 2026**, we are running an exciting trip for our Triple Science students to visit the Biology, Chemistry and Physics laboratories at Keele University. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to experience what studying Science is like in a higher education setting. We hope to inspire many of our students to continue with Science post-16, and this visit will give them a valuable taste of university life.

The visit will be broken into three sessions. During these sessions, students will take part in a range of hands-on practical activities and experiments, helping them to further develop their scientific skills.

This trip forms part of the **Step into STEM programme**, delivered in partnership with Keele University. As part of the programme, students will also receive two in-school sessions on Science exam technique during their normal Science lessons on Tuesday 24th March and Tuesday 14th April, followed by the university visit on Wednesday 6th May 2026. There will also be a further in-school session focused on Science careers and pathways.

On the day of the visit, **students must wear normal school uniform. We aim to depart school by coach at 8:40am.** Students will have a lunch break on campus for approximately 30 minutes. We recommend that students bring a packed lunch, however lunch grab bags will be provided for those who need them. We expect the visit to finish at 2:30pm at Keele University, and **students should return to Ruskin High School for the normal end of the school day at approximately 3:10pm, depending on traffic.**

There will be no cost for the sessions or the trip. This is a fantastic opportunity for your child. Please could you confirm that your child is able to attend all sessions, including the university visit.

To secure your child a place on the sessions and the trip, please sign up on the School Gateway App by Wednesday, 22nd of April. Please ensure we have the most up to date contact information and medical details prior to the trip. You can inform us of any changes via the School Gateway App or at the Main office. Please also leave a comment when processing your consent for how your child will be getting home after returning to Ruskin.

Please remember that a place on any school trip is subject to your child's continued good behaviour. In exceptional circumstances a place on a trip may be withdrawn, in which case any monies paid will be refunded in full. If you have any further queries regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We look forward to an enriching and enjoyable experience for all students.

Yours sincerely,

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