



Our Ref:

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Dear Parent/Carer

Ms L Deakin, BA Hons PGCE NPQH

Principal



The Skills Show, NEC Year 9

As part of the school's commitment to broadening horizons and career development we have organised a visit to the NEC for The World Skills Show. The show is the largest interactive apprenticeships, skills and careers event in the UK. This is the next step in preparing students for their future careers.

- **Date:** Thursday 15 November 2018
- **Event:** The World Skills Show Year 9
- **Venue:** NEC, Birmingham
- **Depart:** 11:30am - students to attend period 1 & 2 lessons as normal
- **Return:** 3:30pm approximately (traffic dependent)
- **Transport:** Whittle Coaches
- **Uniform:** Students are required to wear school uniform
- **Lunch:** Students will need to bring a packed lunch, sufficient drinks & snacks for the day or money to purchase lunch - please note that the NEC can be quite expensive. Student who are eligible for free school meals will have a lunch provided.
- **Cost:** Free
- **Trip Organiser:** Mr C Owens

In Year 8 we hosted a mini Careers Fair, where local employers came in to speak to our students. This year, as part of the Careers Education and Guidance programme for Year 9, we are offering this opportunity to see a variety of different employers as well as understand some of the skills needed for employment in various sectors. We have secured funding to cover the transport costs for this trip and represents an exceptional opportunity to gain access to hundreds of potential employers.

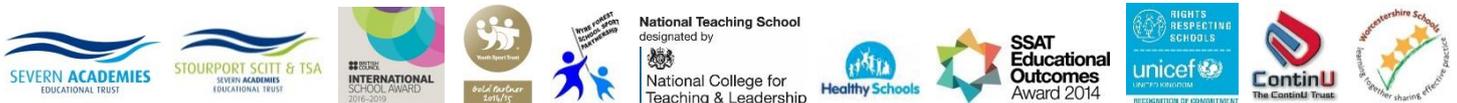
Alongside our SMSC programme and PSHE (Personal, Social, Health & Economic) programme in Year 10, it is intended that this trip will enable your son/daughter to make an informed decision about their work experience placement in Year 10 and their potential option choices beyond.

For more information, please use the link below:

<https://www.worldskillsuk.org/directions/our-events/worldskills-uk-live/what-is-worldskills-uk-live-formerly-the-skills-show>

Please note: The school reserves the right to exclude without refund any student from the trip whose behaviour preceding the visit might cause the Principal serious concern for the safety of other students.

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We do not require a consent form for this visit.

"Written consent from parents is not required for pupils to take part in the majority of offsite activities organised by a school (with the exception of nursery age children) as most of these activities take place during school hours and are a normal part of a child's education at school. However, parents should be told where their child will be at all times and of any extra safety measures required.

Written consent is usually only requested for activities that need a higher level of risk management or those that take place outside school hours" (Health and safety: advice on legal duties and powers for local authorities, school leaders, school staff and governing bodies. DFE February 2014).

Staffing will be in a ratio of 20:1. Students with SEND needs who require support will be accompanied by and LSA. Students will be required to move around the event in small groups and will have access to a school mobile telephone number if they need to contact a member of staff on site. Staff will also take it in turns to be in an agreed area should students need help or support.

If you have any queries regarding this trip, please contact Mr Owens on 01299 872950 or by email at cowens@shs.saet.co.uk

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Deakin', written in a cursive style.

Ms L Deakin
Principal