

26 September 2023

Dear Parent/ Carer

LifeLab Programme at Southampton General Hospital - Year 8

The Hamble School is thrilled to be in a position to invite your child to attend this year's trip to the LifeLab Programme at Southampton General Hospital. This visit comprises a one-day programme of events that aims to introduce the science that explains how lifestyle choices at an early age can drastically affect young people's health and the health of their future children.

In particular, your child is being invited to complete the LifeLab "Build a Healthy Body for Life" programme where they will explore the heart, lungs, endocrine system, bones and the liver. Your child will also have the opportunity to use specialist equipment not available in school to investigate several aspects of medicine and the human body.

Your child will be able to talk with a collection of three scientists currently working in Southampton General Hospital, giving them an opportunity to explore the career paths and opportunities made possible by studying Science.

This trip will be completed by each Science class in the coming weeks. The dates for this visit for each class can be found below.

CLASS	SCIENCE TEACHER	DATE OF TRIP
8a1/Sc	Miss C Williams	Tuesday 3 October 2023
8a2/Sc	Mr P Knight	Wednesday 4 October 2023
8a3/Sc	Mr C Finch	Thursday 5 October 2023
8b1/Sc	Mr A Bradshaw	Friday 6 October 2023
8b2/Sc	Mrs A Bateman	Monday 9 October 2023
8b3/Sc	Miss H Barra	Tuesday 10 October 2023
8c1/Sc	Mr T Bailey	Tuesday 17 October 2023
8c2/Sc	Mrs C Cooper	Wednesday 18 October 2023
8c3/Sc	Mr C Finch	Thursday 19 October 2023

This trip is fully-funded, so there is no cost to parents. Students will depart The Hamble School at 9.00am by coach and return by approximately 3.05pm the same day. Your child will need to register with their tutor and then report to their Science teacher in the Skills Centre Foyer at 8.40am. If your child usually travels home by bus or train from school, you may need to make alternative arrangements owing to the slightly later return time.

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Your child will be expected to wear full school uniform as they will be representing the school at Southampton General Hospital. They will also need to bring a packed lunch. If your child receives a free school meal, then this will be provided on the day.

To secure attendance at this event, please complete the online consent form sent via email. Your child will also need to complete the paper LifeLab consent form given to them by their Science teacher and return this to the Finance Office no later than **Friday 29 September 2023**.

We look forward to welcoming your child on this trip and hope to share their experiences on their return. Should you wish to discuss this further, please contact Mrs C Cooper at the school by emailing general@thehambleschool.co.uk Please allow up to 48 hours for a response.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Cooper

Teacher of Science

If, at any time, you should require special arrangements to be made when visiting the school and/or in order to participate fully in supporting your child at school (e.g. an accessible venue for meetings, if you are a wheelchair user, assistance with translation of documents or enlarged copies of communications etc.), please do not hesitate to let us know.