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Dear Parent(s),

Re: Invitation to GCSE Science Live – Wednesday 24th February 2027

Following the response to our survey last year, we are delighted to be running our first trip to GCSE Science Live. This exciting event will be held at the Anvil Basingstoke, on **Wednesday 24th February 2027**. This event is designed to spark your child's enthusiasm for science and give them a massive head start on their GCSEs and beyond. It consists of numerous lectures from some of the world's leading Scientists.

The Guest Speakers:

- **Professor Lord Robert Winston:** Famous medical doctor and expert in human fertility.
- **Professor Jim Al-Khalili:** Physics professor and well-known TV/radio presenter.
- **Dr. Anna Ploszajski:** Award-winning materials scientist and author.
- **Dame Dr. Maggie Aderin:** Space scientist and host of the BBC's *The Sky at Night*.
- **Professor Sophie Scott:** Expert in brain science and neuroscience.
- **AQA Lead Science Examiner:** Talking about crucial exam skills and common mistakes to avoid.

This trip costs **£32.00** which covers the cost of the ticket and transport to and from school. There is a limited availability of **60 spaces**. If oversubscribed, names will be drawn randomly.

Key Details:

- **Date:** Wednesday 24th February
- **Time:**
 - Departure from school: 9:30am
 - Return to school: 4:00pm
- **Location:** The Anvil, Basingstoke
- **Cost:** This trip will cost £32.00, payable via Scopay
- **Uniform:** Students will be representing Sandhurst school so full school uniform is required.
- **Food:** Students must bring their own packed lunch and drinks.

We are committed to providing equal opportunities for all students, ensuring no child is held back by financial barriers. Children in receipt of free school lunches and/or Pupil Premium may be eligible to have some of the cost of this activity paid for by the school. Please contact Vikki Gibbons (vgibbons@sandhurstschool.org.uk) in our finance office for more details.

We believe this will be a valuable and enriching experience for your child. Please ensure payments and reply slip overleaf are completed and handed in to the Finance office by **23rd October**.

Yours sincerely,

Mr F Bernard-Patel
Head of Chemistry

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PLEASE RETURN TO FINANCE OFFICE by Friday 23rd October 2026.

Student Name: Tutor Group:

I give permission for my son/daughter to take part in the visit to **Science Live** on **Wednesday 24th February 2027.**

I enclose: Cost of **£32.00**

Payment Method - Please tick one: Cash Online (preferred)
(date online payment made/...../2026)

Signed Parent