

Bullers Wood School for Girls & Sixth Form



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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Year 12 Physics Trip to Geneva, Switzerland – July 2024

We are currently planning a residential trip to Geneva for pupils who are studying A Level Physics. The trip is being planned for 15th-17th July 2024. The purpose of the trip is to visit the Large Hadron Collider in CERN: the world's most powerful particle accelerator, designed to answer many unresolved questions in particle physics.

The cost of the trip is expected to be £585.

The cost will include the following :

- Return coach travel to Gatwick Airport from School
- 2 nights accommodation (inc. 2 x breakfasts & 1 x evening meal)
- Sightseeing (Inc. CERN, United Nations & History of Science Museum)
- Pizza & Bowling Evening

Students are advised to bring a minimum of 50 Euros for purchasing food/meals whilst we are travelling and for lunches. Students can bring additional spending money if they wish.

Payment Schedule

Payment	Amount	Due Date
Deposit	£200	20/09/2023
2 nd Instalment	£150	30/10/2023
3 rd Instalment	£115	31/01/2024
4 th Instalment	£120	31/03/2024

If your son/daughter wishes to attend this trip, you must be able to meet the payment deadlines above. Failure to meet these deadlines may result in the student being withdrawn from the trip. **Early payment is welcome if possible, all payments are to be made via School Gateway.**

Travel requirements

Passport : A full valid passport is needed for the trip (Valid until at least 31.12.2024). A copy of this passport will be requested by the school by email prior to the trip.

Visas : If the student is not a UK or EU National parents are responsible for obtaining and paying for any visa required for travel to France.

Healthcare : Students are required to have a valid GHIC Card which can easily be applied for via this link <https://services.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/cra/start?sessionExpired=true>

Covid : There are currently no Covid related entry requirements to travel to Switzerland.

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All these requirements are obviously subject to change and parents will be updated of any changes nearer the time of the trip.

By paying the deposit for the trip on School Gateway you are confirming your consent for the trip and you are agreeing to the following:

- Your daughter will have a valid passport, a GHIC Card and will meet any Covid related entry requirements at the time of the trip.
- Both you and the student agree to the terms set out in the 2023-24 Code of Conduct for Students (available on the school website Parents/ Trips & Visits letters and Information).
- You will advise the school of any changes to your emergency contact details prior to the trip departing.
- You will advise the school office via office@bwsgirls.org of any changes in your son/daughter's medical condition (if any) between now and the date of the trip, or if you have any other concerns regarding her ability to participate.
- You give permission for the student to receive any first aid or medical treatment that may be required during the trip.

If your son/daughter would like to secure a place on the trip please arrange for a deposit of £200 to be paid via Gateway by Wednesday 20th September 2023. This deposit is non-refundable unless there is not enough interest in the trip for it to go ahead in which case it will be refunded.

Your faithfully
Jack Carlyle
Head of Physics

PLEASE NOTE CAREFULLY

All medical and emergency telephone numbers which we invite you to update every year will be generated from school records. Please ensure that any changes in the information held are provided as soon as possible to office@bwsgirls.org. **If any medication is required for the trip please put this in a transparent bag marked clearly with the student's name plus medication enclosed, the dosage amount and times to be taken. Please hand to a member of staff on the day of the trip.**

Please note the school reserves the right to cancel the place of any student whose behaviour prior to the trip does not meet the school expectations, or whose attendance record is unacceptable. In this event Parents/Carers are advised that no refund will be made. Parents/Carers are advised that this may incur cancellation charges.

Parental consent for a trip acknowledges the responsibility of the parent to ensure that the student has been made aware of the contents of the Bullers Wood MAT Code of Conduct for Students on school trips, available on the school website. If a student's conduct on the trip would have led to a fixed term exclusion from school, parents are expected to collect their daughter/son from the trip destination. Parents would be liable for all associated costs relating to the collection of the student.

Payment signifies the commitment by the payer to the students' participation in the trip/activity and confirms parental consent. The cost of the visit/activity is non-refundable except in the case of serious illness, when a doctor's certificate will be required. Payments are used to secure firm bookings with the companies whose services are engaged for the trip/event. Please ensure all payments are made on-line as described by the due date.