

10<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Year 8 Girls Trip – Cyber Girls First Workshop

We are pleased to offer Year 8 girls the opportunity to attend the Cyber Girls First Workshop at Aston University on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026. Cyber Girls First is a national initiative designed to inspire girls to consider careers in cyber security and technology through practical activities and interaction with industry professionals.

During the day, students will hear from professionals from Vodafone, GCHQ and West Midlands Police, learn about global hacking risks, and take part in interactive activities including a 'Museum Heist' investigation and a investigation and a cyber escape room challenge.

There are 40 places available and these will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. The cost of the trip is £10 per pupil. This includes transport, a packed lunch and a goodie bag. Payment must be made via ParentPay by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March to secure your child's place.

Students must attend in full school uniform. Further details about travel arrangements will be shared with those who secure a place. The programme for the day is outlined below, and we should be back by 4pm, traffic-dependent.

Time	Activity
Before 9:30am	Arrival at Aston University and welcome
9:35am – 9:45am	Welcome and Health & Safety
9:45am – 10:15am	Presentation on hacking dangers
10:15am – 10:45am	Careers and apprenticeships at Vodafone
10:45am – 11:30am	Careers and apprenticeships at GCHQ
11:30am – 12:30pm	Museum Heist activity
12:30pm – 1:15pm	Lunch break (packed lunches provided)
1:15pm – 3pm	Cyber Escape Room challenge

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Payment can be made by debit or credit card online via ParentPay. Unfortunately, we can no longer accept cash or cheques in school. To pay for the trip, log in to your child's ParentPay account. The trip name will appear in 'Pay for other items'. Then click 'View details and pay'. When you have added the trip to your basket, click 'Pay now'. You will then be able to pay securely by credit or debit card by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Please contact Miss Poole, in confidence, if there are any financial difficulties. Miss Poole's email address is [h.poole@bournville.fmat.co.uk](mailto:h.poole@bournville.fmat.co.uk).

Places are subject to the exemplary behaviour of your child as an ambassador of Bournville. Any breach in behaviour prior to the visit may result in your child being removed from the visit and the loss of any payments made for this trip. This includes any students who may be subject to exclusion from the academy.

Any request for refunds will be subject to an overall review of the affordability of this trip by the academy. This is because some trips require the school to pay non-refundable deposits for items such as tickets, accommodation or coaches prior to the trip. If your child is unable to attend the trip at very short notice, then we may be unable to offer refunds. We trust that your child's medical information is up to date, if you believe they need updating please contact the school to update this information as soon as possible.

Your child must bring any medication they require with them on the trip, or they will not be allowed to attend.

Please return the attached permission slip and emergency contact sheet to your Form Tutor by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 0121 475 3881.

Kind regards

Mrs N Mirza  
Subject Lead for Computer Science

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## Cyber Girls First Workshop – Aston University

### Parental Consent Slip (Please detach and return to Elgar Reception)

I give consent for (student name) .....to attend the Cyber Girls First Workshop at Aston University on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March. I can also confirm:

- To the best of my knowledge, my child is medically fit to take part in the activities planned.
- I give consent to any emergency treatment necessary during the visit. If not, please give details of reasons, and what we should do.
- I understand that the cost is £10 and payment must be made via ParentPay by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

Emergency contact details for the day:

Name.....

Contact number.....

Relationship to child.....

Packed lunches will be provided for all attending students. Please confirm your option below:

- Vegetarian
- Vegan
- Non-vegetarian (Halal)
- Non-vegetarian (Not Halal)

Please tick how the student will be getting home at the end of the day (approx. 4pm)

Collection by parent/carer:

Can make their own way home:

My child has the following medical conditions:

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Parent/Carer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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