



Thursday 23 January 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 visit to Bucks Skills Show - 5/6 March 2025

Careers education and exploring future pathways is a core element of our PSHE lessons at AHS. This year we are pleased to be able to take all Year 9 students to the [Bucks Skills Show](#) which is taking place at Stoke Mandeville Stadium in Aylesbury. This is a skills and careers event with over 120 exhibitors where young people will be able to:

- Meet employers: Connect with businesses eager to find the next generation of talent.
- Explore careers: Get a first-hand look at what it's like to work in various key industries.
- Next Steps: Speak directly with universities, colleges, and apprenticeship providers to guide their educational and career decisions.

We will take Year 9 to the event in two groups:

- Wednesday 5 March, 12.45-15.30 pm - classes 9.1, 9.2 and 9.3
- Thursday 6 March, 12.45-15.30 pm - classes 9.4, 9.5 and 9.6

On each day, we will depart from school at 12:45 (provisional time, to be confirmed) to walk as a group to the stadium. Members of staff will accompany the group and remain at the venue. Students will explore the exhibition in small groups. We will then walk back to school as a group in time for the end of the school day at 15:30. We will ask students to have a packed lunch on the day of their visit and there will be time for them to eat this at school before we leave.

Students will be able to meet representatives from the following sectors:

- Construction
- Civil Engineering
- Creative, Film & TV
- Digital Technology
- High-Performance Engineering, Manufacturing & Space
- Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism
- Charities & Public
- Medical, Health Care and Social Care

- Business, Finance and Professional Services

There will be preparatory activities at school beforehand to support students to get the most out of the event. We will share the list of exhibitors with you when available and encourage you to discuss this with your daughter in advance to help her to prioritise whom to talk to on the day.

Consent and Medical Details

Please note that the student medical information and your contact details that we hold on record will be used for the trip, so if anything has changed since you last updated us, please email the changes to Mrs Sheed (dsheed@ahs.bucks.sch.uk).

As with all trips, we want students and staff to have an enjoyable experience. If either you or the school have any concerns about your daughter's ability to participate then it is vital that we discuss at an early stage how the school can appropriately support her and ensure the trip is suitable for her.

Information regarding trips and visits including the code of conduct, insurance arrangements and voluntary contributions can be found in the [Trips and Visits section](#) of the school website.

Please do not hesitate to contact either of us if you have any questions.

Kind regards

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Next Steps and Careers Lead