

20 January 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

MANCHESTER AIRPORT RUNWAY VISITOR CENTRE – 12 & 13 MARCH

The Year 10 pupils who are studying GCSE Computer Science, BTEC Digital IT and BTEC Business Enterprise are invited to attend a full day visit to Manchester Airport Runway Visitor Centre.

The trip will take place on one of two days so that it can be tailored towards the course being studied.

- Wednesday 12 March GCSE Computer Science & BTEC Digital IT students
- Thursday 13 March BTEC Business Enterprise students

Your child will need to be in school for 8.30am on the day in order to arrive at the venue on time. We will leave Manchester Airport at 2pm and return to Priory hopefully in time for the school buses. However please be aware that alternative travel home should be arranged if we are delayed due to traffic.

The cost of the trip will be £28 which includes a one-hour interactive lecture at Runway Visitor Park, a walking tour of Manchester Airport's Terminal 1 and the return coach.

The topics for the one-hour interactive lecture are:

- Handling air passengers
- Customer service
- Exploring airports and airlines
- Manchester Airport IT
- Manchester Airport as a business
- Environment

One hour will be held in the cabin of the DC10 aircraft and, using a variety of visual aids, we will look at flight and different types of aircraft. With the students' assistance, we will explore some of the many jobs taking place every day at the airport. There is also an exciting opportunity to visit the flight deck and learn about the flight controls.

The remainder of the tour takes place outside. Our guide will explain some of the various airfield operations, we will look at aircraft movements and visit some aircraft on site. Included in this session is a brief visit to the airport's classroom, where students will take part in an interactive airport-related activity.

Dependent on other activities in the Concorde Hangar, we may be able to take the students to see Concorde to explore this iconic aircraft.

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Pupils are asked to wear school uniform for the trip and should bring a coat. Pupils will also need a packed lunch. If your child is entitled to a free school meal, they must order this through the catering team in advance. This will then be made available for them to collect before we depart. Pupils may also like to bring a small amount of spending money/bank card if they wish to buy refreshments or souvenirs at the Runway Visitor Centre.

The closing date for places is Friday, 28 February when the full amount of £28 is required. If you would like your child to attend the trip, please make the required payment via the school's online payment system, SCOPay where you will also be required to provide parental consent. This replaces the need to complete a reply slip.

Prior to the trip, I must ask that you inform the school of any recent updates to emergency contacts and medical information that we may not already be aware of.

Yours faithfully

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Head of ICT & Computer Science