## Queen Elizabeth High School



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Dear Parent/Carer

## APF Exhibition 2024, Friday 20th September 2024

As part of Queen Elizabeth High School's Science, Technology, Engineering and Math's (STEM) programme and our drive to engage our pupils in rural career pathways, we have an exciting opportunity for your child to visit and attend a guided tour of the APF Association of Professional Foresters (APF) exhibition 2024 which will take place on Friday 20th September 2024.

The APF Exhibition is the UK's largest forestry, woodland, arboriculture, firewood, fencing, trees and timber trade show. The show is targeted towards the forestry, woodland and tree care industries but is also of significant interest to the farming industry, with a dedicated fencing village and a lot of machinery and equipment designed for small woodlands and adding value to small parcels of timber and individual trees. Producing and utilising timber as woodfuel, whether as firewood or woodchips is also strongly featured, as are biomass boilers. There will competitions and events including the World Poleclimbing championships, the European Chainsaw Carving championships, the British Open Tree Climbing competition, the McVeigh Parker UK Open Fencing championships and the popular return of the UK Forwarder Driving championships. The Forest Worker and the Arb Workers zones will have a wide variety of daily practical demos and workshops as well as many others focusing on training. There is also the UK's largest and most varied demonstrations of traditional woodland crafts, horse logging and, new for 2024, Axe throwing!

## Please note:

- Pupils will depart from Queen Elizabeth High School at 8.40am by coach and will arrive back at school for 3.15pm.
- Students are able to wear their own clothing but must be suitable for a professional exhibition. E.g. Coats, boots/wellington boots if poor weather is expected
- If your child is entitled to a free school meal, they will be provided a packed lunch from school. All other pupils will need to bring a packed lunch, however, please note no nuts are allowed.
- The cost of the trip is £3.50 which includes entry to the venue and transport. Spending money is not required.
- Students will visit exhibits in small, unsupervised groups, with members of staff based at key locations throughout the venue.
- Mobile phones are allowed to be brought on the trip, but they should be kept in bags during transport.











Places on this trip and given on a first come first served basis. There are 14 places available. To secure a place for your son or daughter on this trip payment of £3.50 and complete the consent permissions under Trips on Bromcom, or return the slip below to Reception with cash.

Personal accident insurance has been arranged by the school for pupils taking part in this visit. The policy covers personal accident, loss of personal effects, medical expenses, and the cost of visiting a child who may be detained in hospital away from home. Please ensure your contact details, and the medical information we hold for your child, is up to date.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me via email

Yours sincerely

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Mr	M. Langley
Dir	ector of STEM

Ch	ild's	nameForm
	0	I give consent for my child to attend APF Exhibition 2024 on Friday 20th September 2024.
	0	My contact information and my child's medical information is up to date.
	0	I have enclosed £3.50.





Signed.....





Date.....

