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Dear Parent / Carers

On **Thursday 15th June**, we will be taking the Year 6 pupils to an event at the University of Northampton. The event is called STEAM Northants. STEAM is an educational approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics as access points for guiding student inquiry, dialogue, and critical thinking.

This is an amazing opportunity for the children to access a wide variety of activities as well as seeing what a university is like. The event consists of two free flow large exhibition spaces featuring scientists, engineers, artists, VR headsets, AR technology and more... There will be several open areas/working spaces to explore around the campus. All activities will be led by specialists in their own field.

As well as having the chance to explore the activities, the children have also been booked into a special bird of prey demonstration and a Real Science session.

This event is fully funded and will take place within the school day. The children will leave school after morning registration and be back later in the afternoon. The children will be accompanied by members of staff from Hawthorn, and at no point during the event will any child be left unsupervised.

Your child will need to wear their school uniform, bring a packed lunch, snack and a drink. If you order a lunch from ABM please place a sandwich order online by **Friday 9th June** (ham, cheese or tuna mayonnaise) and this will be delivered to school first thing in the morning). A small rucksack would be useful in order for children to carry their belongings.

The University of Northampton requires all parents to complete a consent form please use the link below:

[online consent form](#)

Please complete this form by **Friday 26th May**.

The school requires permission for your child to attend this event. We also need permission to give the University of Northampton a register of names. This can be given in the Hawthorn School permission form below.

[Hawthorn Permission form for STEAM Event](#)

Please complete this form by **Friday 26th May**.

Kind regards

Miss Blakeley

Upper KS2 Lead

