



KH11AT

March 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Visit to CERN, Geneva
Thursday 26 June to Sunday 29 June 2025

We are pleased to confirm that your child/ward has been selected to take part in the Physics Department visit to CERN in Geneva, taking place in June 2025.

The students will have overnight accommodation in Geneva for 3 nights from Thursday 26 June to Sunday 29 June. The visit to Geneva will include a tour of the Large Hadron Collider and other experiments at CERN on Friday 27 June and a laboratory workshop at CERN on Saturday 28 June, returning to the UK the following morning. We will also have time to explore the city of Geneva, including for example, the United Nations and International Red Cross Centre. The proposed itinerary is attached (including options in the event of cancellation or poor weather). Please note the group will be meeting at the free drop off at Manchester airport at 11.15am on Thursday morning and then taking the free shuttle bus to the terminal. This is signposted clearly from the M56 (Thorley Ln, Manchester M90 5AZ). Please also note the students can only bring hand luggage which is one small bag (45 x 36 x 20 cm including any handles and wheels). Towels can be hired from the Youth Hostel for CHF 3.00 with a refundable deposit of CHF 10.00.

The final cost of the trip is £630 per student (this includes flights, accommodation for three nights including breakfast, 2 evening meals as well as visits to CERN). Please note the flight prices were increased from our original estimate. Apologies for this.

To confirm a place on this trip, please pay the remaining balance via Scopay by Monday 31 March. Please also complete and return the attached Behavioural Contract and return to Dr Hill.

If you have any questions, please email Dr Hill (khill@wkgs.net).

Yours sincerely

K Hill

Dr K Hill
Head of Physics

The school has a blanket School Journey Insurance policy in place to provide appropriate cancellation, curtailment, medical and personal possessions cover. This policy also carries very limited personal accident insurance cover for pupils. As the school will not be liable for any injury arising from incidents beyond our direct control, parents/carers may wish to consider purchasing their own personal accident cover to enhance the limited protection of this policy.



CERN Visit Itinerary – June 2025

Thursday 26th June 2025

Time	Activity	Notes
11:00 AM	Meet at Manchester Airport (Free Drop-Off) – Thorley Lane, M90 5AZ	Hand luggage only: Max 45 x 36 x 20 cm (including handles & wheels)
1:25 PM	Flight to Geneva	EasyJet EZY2187
4:20 PM	Arrive in Geneva	Take train to Corvavin , then tram to hostel
5:50 PM	Arrive at hostel	Room allocation & student briefing
7:00 PM	Dinner at hostel	Included
8:00 PM	Short guided walk	5-minute walk to lakeside viewpoint
10:00 PM	In rooms at hostel	Quiet

Friday 27th June 2025

Time	Activity	Notes
7:00 AM	Breakfast at hostel	Included
8:00 AM	Travel to CERN	2 trams
9:00 – 11:00 AM	Guided tour of CERN	
11:00 AM	Visit to Gateway to Science Visitor Centre	New state-of-the-art museum (opened 2024)
1:00 PM	Lunch at CERN	Not included
2:00 PM	Travel to Téléphérique du Salève (or Natural History Museum if poor weather)	Tram & bus
5:00 PM	Return to hostel	Short break & student briefing
6:00 PM	Walk to Geneva city centre along the lakeside footpath	Students in groups of 4; food locations (e.g. McDonald's) highlighted on maps
8:00 PM	Group meet-up in city centre	Meeting point TBC
8:05 PM	Walk back to hostel	Evening briefing for Saturday
10:00 PM	In rooms at hostel	Quiet

Saturday 28th June 2025

Time	Activity	Notes
7:00 AM	Breakfast at hostel	Included
8:00 AM	Travel to CERN	2 trams
9:00 – 11:00 AM	Student workshop	
11:00 AM	Visit to Gateway to Science Visitor Centre & shop (if time allows)	
1:00 PM	Lunch at CERN	Not included
2:00 PM	Travel to Nations	Short visit to United Nations & International Red Cross Centre
3:00 PM	Return to hostel	



Saturday 28th June 2025 (continued)

3:30 – 5:30 PM	Team challenge/treasure hunt/orienteering & quiz	Students use an app in teams of 5 to explore key sites in Geneva and find clues. Alternative: Visit the History of Science Museum by the lake.
6:00 PM	Short break at hostel	
7:00 PM	Dinner at hostel	Included. Then final student briefing for check-out & Sunday plans
10:00 PM	In rooms at hostel	Quiet

Sunday 29th June 2025

Time	Activity	Notes
7:00 AM	Breakfast at hostel & check-out	Included
7:30 AM	Travel to airport	Tram 15 to Corvavin , then train to airport
8:15 AM	Arrive at Geneva Airport	Flight: EZY2184 to Manchester
10:35 AM	Flight departs Geneva	
11:30 AM	Arrive at Manchester Airport	Parents to collect students from Terminal 1 Arrivals



CERN and Geneva June 2025

BEHAVIOURAL CONTRACT

(please return to Dr Hill)

By taking part in the Physics trip to Geneva in June 2025, I agree to the following:

- I will ensure that I listen to and follow all instructions given by my teachers
- I will make sure that when given free time I am with at least two other members of the group
- I will treat the hostel staff with respect and take care not to cause any damage. Any damage caused will incur a charge to be covered by my Parents/Carers
- I will show consideration to other hostel guests
- I will not buy, use or offer to others, cigarettes, alcohol or other illegal substances
- I understand that I may be sent back home at the expense of my Parents/Carers should I not adhere to this contract

Student Name : _____ Form: _____

Student Signature : _____ Date : _____

Parent/Carer Signature: _____