

St Thomas Becket

Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parent/carer

We are delighted to inform you of a fantastic opportunity for some of our children in Year 5 to take part in Masterclasses offered by the Royal Institution. The RI has a nationwide Masterclass network, working with volunteers across the UK to help enrich the education of young people in the subjects of mathematics, computer science and engineering. These series of workshops, led by enthusiastic speakers the Masterclasses offer students a fun and inclusive opportunity to investigate mathematical ideas outside the curriculum and explore the wider aspects of the subject.

There will be 5 sessions in the Cedars School in January, February and March. The Cedars school has offered 4 places for Primary Mathematics, 3 places for Computer Science and 4 places for Stem Classes. **Students are expected to attend the entire series of 5 sessions**, and the workshop will include a break and a snack. We hope that you will be able to take advantage of this opportunity for your children and look forward to receiving your slip indicating your interest by Monday 9th of January latest. In the event of more interest than places, the names will be drawn at random from a hat. Once you child has a place, you will be required to complete the **parent/carer consent form** and return it to your teacher as soon as possible.

As this is outside of school time, you are responsible for your child's travel to and from the Masterclasses.

Please see more information about the workshops below.

These will be face-to-face workshops. If social distancing is required at the time of the Masterclasses, the Cedars school will contact attendees prior to the start with the requirements of our venue so everyone can stay safe. There may be a short refreshment break during the workshops, so please ensure you have given accurate medical records.

Dates: 2023 14th and 28th January 4th and 25th February, 4th March

Venue location: The Cedars School, 147 Central Hill, SE19 1RS

From: 9.30am to 11.15am, registration from 9.15am

I hope you will consider this unique opportunity for your children,

Mrs McFeat

Maths Leader

St Thomas Becket School

Child's name ______ Class ______

I would like my child to attend a 5-week Masterclass in (tick your choice)

Mathematics

Computer Science

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