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Secondary – Sheffield University Workshop

Dear parent / carer

I am delighted to inform you that your child has been invited to take part in an exciting chemistry workshop at the University of Sheffield's Kroto School's Laboratory taking place on **Wednesday 2 July 2025**.

This opportunity will provide students with a valuable experience to engage in hands-on practical work in a university setting. During the workshop, students will have the unique chance to synthesise paracetamol in a professional laboratory environment, enhancing their understanding of organic chemistry and laboratory techniques.

Trip Details:

- Students should arrive at school promptly for a **7:30am** departure by school minibus.
- We will travel by school minibus to Meadowhall park and ride, then take the tram to the university.
- Students will return to school at approximately **3:00pm** traffic depending.
- The cost of this trip is dependent on the number of students wishing to take part in the trip. For 15 students, the cost is expected to be **£5.50** per student. Please note the trip is an 'optional extra' under the 1996 Education Act and the school is therefore permitted to charge for this activity.
- Students will need to bring money for the tram fare (approximately **£5.70**)

Students will need to wear suitable clothing for a laboratory environment including long trousers and closed toe shoes and will require a packed lunch and suitable drink. They may also bring money to buy any lunch.

This workshop is a fantastic opportunity to experience university-level science and develop practical skills. If you would like your child to attend the visit, please complete the expression of interest form [here](#).

The form will open on **Friday 2 May 2025 at 6:00pm** and close on **Friday 9 May 2025 at 12:30pm**.

Please be aware that submitting the form does not guarantee your child a place on the trip. Attendance, attitude to learning and behavior around the school will be considered when allocating places.

We will write to those who have successfully obtained a place with further details including payment methods.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me on ellen.norman@hessleacademy.com

Yours faithfully,

E. Norman

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