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Monday, 23 January 2023

Remove Observatory Visit – Wednesday, 15th February 2023, 20.00 – 21.30.

Dear Parents and Guardians

We hope your daughter is enjoying the Remove Science course. We are coming to the end of our current Chemical Reactions topic and the next topic students will study is Astronomy, as part of their Physics curriculum. We have been offered two evening visit slots to the observatory run by the Astronomy Section of La Société Guernesiaise, to complement this topic. We have had wonderful visits in previous years, though this will be the first time we have been able to go since the coronavirus pandemic. Weather permitting, we will be able to observe other planets, our moon, and other celestial bodies, using the powerful equipment housed there, much of which has been recently refurbished. The trip to the observatory will include a talk given by members of the Astronomy Section.

We will meet in La Houguette School's car park, Rue des Paysans, St Pierre du Bois, (Perry's Guide Ref P21), from where we will be meeting and walking the short distance to the observatory together. We would ask you to ensure your daughter arrives there promptly at 20.00, and that she is picked up at 21.30. Due to lack of street lighting, please ensure your daughter has a torch, warm, waterproof, high-visibility clothing, and sensible footwear. College uniform is not required. We ask you to consider sharing lifts where possible to reduce congestion in the car park.

We appreciate that this will be quite a late night for your daughter, but this maximises the benefit in terms of what we hope to observe and learn. Although there is no cost for your daughter to attend this evening, we suggest that each student makes a small donation of £1 to the Astronomy Society on the night to help with their running costs. More information about the Observatory can be found by visiting their website, which can be found at www.astronomy.org.gg

Please complete the form in the https://forms.office.com/e/iDwvHYbtqU by Monday, 30th January, to confirm that your daughter is able to take part in this visit. Should the weather not be suitable, we will let you know accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

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