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Dear Parents / Carers

ACS STEAM Event - Tuesday 7th October 2025

On Tuesday 7th October 2025 we have the opportunity to take Year 10 students to the ACS STEAM Event being held at Thorpe Park. Students will be taking part in exciting science, technology, engineering, arts and maths activities during the event.

Prior to the event, there will be a meeting during lunchtime for pupils to go through their gamification packs to prepare them for the event. This is mandatory for all pupils attending the trip to ensure their success in the event.

The cost of this trip is £27 per student to cover the cost of the coach- entry to the event is free. There are 75 spaces available and these will be allocated on a first come first served basis of payment. Please complete the [consent form](#) and make payment on ParentMail by the deadline of 12pm Friday 3rd October 2025.

If your child secures a place please be advised of the following information from the organisers;

There will be various filming and photos happening throughout the day, from participants and professionals. Due to the nature of the event, we will not be able to restrict photos/videos of your students ending up on personal social media pages. We will therefore have signage up around the Park to say that photos and videos will be taken of the students and staff throughout the day.

ACS International Schools and Thorpe Park may wish to use the photographs that are taken on the day for publicity, including social media and news items, so please ensure that all parents are aware that attendance at the event assumes photographic permissions have been given.

If you do see a professional photographer or videographer taking photos or videos during the day and would prefer them not to, then they have been briefed to delete photos upon request. We cannot however control photos and videos taken by visiting staff, students and suppliers throughout the day.

Students should arrive at **6:00 am at Atlantic Academy, and the coach will depart at 6:15 am** in order to arrive at 10:00am. At the park, the pupils will complete STEAM-based tasks throughout the day in order to gain access to the rides at the park, stopping to eat lunch together from 1:00 pm to 1:30 pm. We will leave the park at 3:30pm, in order to leave the premises by 4:00pm. Traffic dependent, the coach will arrive back to Atlantic Academy at approximately 7:30pm, where pupils will need to be collected.



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Please ensure

- Students can come to school in appropriate non school uniform (weather appropriate, no heels or short tops/ shorts) If students clothing is not appropriate they may not be allowed to attend
- Students have a packed lunch / snack with water/ squash to hydrate. Food is available at the park, however, this is priced at regular theme park pricing.

As with all trips we reserve the right to withdraw a student from the trip on the grounds of their behaviour and conduct in the time leading up to the trip. Anyone considered a safety risk may not be permitted to attend. Please note that if payment has already been made it may not be possible to refund this to you.

Yours faithfully

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Director of Science