



7 April 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 8 - Cyber Forensics STEAM Challenge - Friday 13 May 2022

I am writing to invite students in Year 8 to participate in the Cyber Forensics STEAM Challenge on Friday 13 May 2022, during the school day, taking place on the school site. This event is a **Cyber Forensics Challenge** for Year 8 students, led by an Education Officer from the Smallpeice Trust, an Education Charity who provide fully funded STEAM Enrichment workshops to schools.

Students will work in groups to explore exciting topics such as digital forensics, cyber security, password security, Open-Source Intelligence, social engineering, encryption and device hacking. Thales, our sponsor for this event, have also paid for students to have the opportunity to be awarded a personalised certificate, a CREST Discovery Award from the British Science Association.

Maiden Erlegh School has been allocated 60 spaces for this challenge and at no cost to students. Please note we expect students to wear full school uniform during the day. This activity will take place all day on Friday 13 May and therefore it is the responsibility of the student to catch up with any missed class and home work. If there are more than 60 students who apply for a place in this workshop, names will be randomly selected. If your child has been successful in securing a place, a confirmation of place letter will be sent with further details. The deadline for completed online expression of interest forms is 5pm **Friday 29 April 2022** and the form can be accessed here.

Online consent should only be given if you agree with the conditions below:-

Parent Agreement

I have read the information letter regarding the above named event and agree to my child participating.

I understand that I am responsible for ensuring:

- That my child arrives on time for the start of the challenge.
- Staff have up to date and accurate contact and medical details at the time of the event, and all relevant medication. Please email <u>office@maidenerleghschool.co.uk</u> if your child's medical information has changed as soon as possible and before the day of departure.
- I understand that it is the student's responsibility to make up for any missed class work and homework to do so to an appropriate standard and timely manner. I will support them to do this.

Should your child's medical circumstances change, it is your duty to inform the school in writing as soon as possible and before the day of the activity.

Please note that representing the school on a trip, fixture or at an event is a privilege and we reserve the right to withdraw that privilege for students who are persistently late to school or lessons, do not follow our uniform or behaviour policies or bring the school into disrepute in any way.

Yours sincerely,

Mr R Buck

Assistant Headteacher

Key Information:

Activity: Cyber Forensics STEAM Challenge

Trip leader: Mr R Buck

Year group and subject: Year 8, STEAM/Computer Science enrichment opportunity

Date: Friday 13 May 2022

Meeting place and time: Lower School Hall at 9.00am

Cost: £0

Dress code: School uniform