

September 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Expression of interest - Iconstruct Event

Year 9 students are invited to attend a trip to the Iconstruct event taking place on **Friday 16th October**. The event will be held at CETC & CEMAST Meteor Way, Broom Way, Lee-on-the-Solent, PO13 9FU. We are currently waiting for confirmation of timings from the organisers but anticipate leaving school at the start of the day and returning at around lunch time.

During the visit, students will be presented with a scenario and will work in groups to interview employees from a local construction company about it. Their challenge is to learn something about the company, its role in the build and the many and varied job roles they would use to complete the works required in the scenario. Students will then put together a short presentation for the judges. After the presentation, students will visit the interactive area, where they can explore and try some of the simulators and digital technology. Winning groups will be announced later in the term. If a team from Noadswood win (which they did last year!), the event organisers will invite the school to an external event to present the trophy in January.

The aims of the event are to inspire and nurture future talent, show over 200 different job roles needing an array of skills sets and to demonstrate that there is a career in construction for everyone.

Students must wear their school uniform and bring a packed lunch and water bottle. We also recommend students bring a pen and notepad. We will be travelling to the event using the school minibuses. The organisers of the event will be using filming and photography throughout the day. Students will not be included in this if they have not had consent for photography and filming provided on Arbor. Once we have received confirmed timings of the day, these will be shared with parents and carers of students who have applied for the trip.

If your child would like to attend, please log in to the Arbor app and provide your consent. If you are using a mobile phone to view the app, please turn your device to landscape and scroll to the bottom right of the page, select Trips and a new screen will show you the trip your child is being offered. Choose the trip and follow the details to provide consent. The closing date is **Wednesday 30th September at 4pm**.

If your child is currently entitled to free school meals, we can provide a packed lunch for this trip. Information regarding how to order their packed lunch will be in the confirmation letter.

If this trip is oversubscribed, we will determine the places by a fair ballot. **We will confirm if your child has a place on the trip after the closing date. Confirmed places through Arbor are not guaranteed that they have a space on the trip.**

We always take seriously our responsibility for the safety and welfare of our students. This raises particular issues when students are involved in an activity off-site. Before taking students away from the school site, we carry out a thorough risk assessment and take all necessary measures to minimize risks including arranging



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appropriate levels of supervision by responsible adults. We expect that students involved in the activity will cooperate fully with the arrangements made and follow closely the instructions of the responsible adults throughout the activity. We therefore reserve the right to refuse a place on the trip to any students where there has been a behaviour concern previously.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Shah
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