

Science and Engineering Saturday Club

Dear Parent,

I am writing to let you know about a fantastic opportunity that is open for all **Year 10 students** who are studying scientific subjects (biology, chemistry, physics, D&T, maths, computer science etc).

CSES and ARU have, for decades, offered lectures, workshops and hands-on activities to help enthuse school students to fulfil their potential in Science, Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM subjects). Our Saturday Science and Engineering club starts in **January 2024** and will run for **15 weeks**. The club, under the umbrella of the National Saturday Club (NSC), runs from 10.00am – 12.30pm on **Saturday mornings during term time** at Anglia Ruskin University's Chelmsford Campus. More information about the National Saturday Clubs can be found on their website at saturday-club.org. Further information about CSES and ARU can be found at cses.org.uk and aru.ac.uk/schools-and-colleges.

Club members will experience a range of different Science and Engineering topics using the **state-of-the-art Super Lab and workshop facilities** at ARU's Chelmsford Campus. Each session will explore the science and engineering behind real life activities and problems that can affect our daily lives. In addition to laboratory and workshop sessions there are also visits to science and technology-related organisations. The NSC also organise for us a **masterclass with leading industry professionals** and a Summer Show at Somerset House in June.

Amazingly, the programme is delivered **totally free of charge** to Club members and applications are open to all Year 10 students who are studying scientific subjects. The only thing we are looking for is a commitment to attend regularly, a passion for science and technology and a willingness to explore new subject areas.

If your child is interested in applying for a place, please visit saturday-club.org/join-a-club and fill out the form. We aim to start the Club on Saturday 27th January, but **places are limited**, so please ensure your child gets their application in as soon as possible if they would like to apply for a place. Please note, that this is not a drop-in Club. We have a **maximum of thirty places** and if your child is successful in securing a place, we expect them to attend every week during our 2023 programme.

All applications must go through the above link and whilst applications are open to all, we try to ensure we are offering a substantial number of places to widening participation students. If you have any questions, do drop me a line at david.humber@cses.org.uk.

All the best



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