

SOUTHEND HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Mathematic Lectures, Cambridge, Tuesday 9th December 2025

On Tuesday 9th December, The Mathematics Department would like to take 45 students from Years 12 and 13 to a programme of interactive Maths lectures, which will be delivered at West Road Concert Hall in Cambridge. The aim is to encourage a deeper interest in the overall context of the subject, but with a particular interest to areas of overlap in A-Level curriculum. Although the topics will be off-curriculum, they pose a unique way of looking at the application of Mathematics and potential future careers for some of our students.

By signing up for this trip, your son/daughter must attend a pre-trip presentation by Mr Dowding on Monday 8th December in N1 at 1.10pm. This presentation will highlight further some of the careers available to Mathematicians and those with mathematics qualifications and should present a good introduction to the lectures on Tuesday 9th December.

On Tuesday 9th December, a coach will leave Southend High School for Boys at 11.00am with an anticipated return to school at 6.00 pm, though this will be traffic dependent. There is very limited chance to buy food from the venue, so we suggest that pupils bring a packed lunch with them. Please note that we will not be stopping en-route to make food or drink purchases, unless there is an emergency. All pupils will be expected to wear school uniform.

As places are limited, they will be offered on a first-come first-served basis in terms of payments received. The total cost of this visit is £30.00 per student. The trip will be made available for purchase on WisePay from 9am on Wednesday 1 October until Wednesday 15 October 2025. If your son/daughter wishes to attend, but you were unable to make a payment in time, then please email me msd@shsb.org.uk and I will keep a reserve list of students wishing to attend. It may be that we get allocated additional seats.

If your son/daughter receives a school bursary, or if you are unable to afford this trip and think that your son/daughter should receive a bursary, please ask your son/daughter to talk to Mrs Gallagher in the Sixth Form office and email the finance department (finance@shsb.org.uk) to reserve a spot. Tickets will be available until Wednesday 15th October 2025.

Please note that if your son or daughter is taking part in the Christmas Concert, they will not be able to attend and must instead take part in the concert run through on 9th December.



In order for your son/daughter to attend this visit you must complete the school's offsite visit form. This is available via the hyperlink below. Please ensure that this is completed by Wednesday 15th October 2025.

<https://forms.office.com/e/qxTRQZ950V>

If you have any questions about this visit, please do not hesitate to contact me via enquiries@shsb.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Dowding
Leader of Mathematics#