St. Katherine's School

Amplify Education

19 November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 12 & 13 Bristol University Product Design Trip - Thursday 10 December 2026

Our A Level Product Design classes have been offered the exciting opportunity to attend Bristol University on Thursday 10 December 2026. During the trip we will have a guided tour of their research centre, engineering site/facilities and receive specialist training to operate the 3D printers they have recently donated to our department. The purpose of this visit is to both receive useful training and to enlighten students on possible future routes into industry made available by studying Product Design.

On the day of the trip I will meet students after tutor time where we will travel, via minibus, to the Bristol University Research Site on Orchard Lane at 09:30. After receiving training and touring their facilities we will take a short walk to the university's Engineering Department in the Queens Building, stopping for lunch on the way. We will then be collected by the minibus again at 13:30 to return to school for period 5. Students will be expected to go back to lessons at this point and finish the day as usual.

Students will need to bring a packed lunch or money to buy lunch in shops between sites (subject to timings and location). Students should wear clothing suitable for a short walk and the possibility of being in a workshop. It is recommended that your child carry a mobile phone if possible so that they can contact the school mobile phone if they were to lose the group. Students will be provided with the school mobile phone number on the day of the trip.

There will be no cost for this trip. Consent must be completed via ParentPay by Monday 30 November.

If you have any questions about the trip please do not hesitate to contact me on 01275 373737 or email feyg@skdrive.org

Yours sincerely

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