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Dear Parent/Carer

Cyber Discovery – Pop Up Event

The computing department are offering 14 places for Year 10 computer science students to take part in a day of workshops and competitive hacking with the Cyber Discovery team. Cyber Discovery is HM Government's free, online, extracurricular programme turning teenagers across the country into cyber security experts. We shall be visiting Victoria Barn in Oxfordshire on **Tuesday 4 February 2020** for this pop-up event.

The event will consist of:

Game Workshops
Level walkthroughs: students can learn and adopt new ways of approaching levels with specialised help from the experts. Students will be able to talk to and learn from security and development professionals; these are the people who designed and created the Cyber Discovery programme.

Capture the Flag Competition
Students will get hands-on experience using a professional CTF platform (exactly what the experts use!). Students will use the knowledge learnt earlier in the day and work collaboratively to compete against other teams. They will also gain exposure to additional unseen challenges.

The event will begin at 10.00am and will conclude by 2.30pm. Lunch will be provided for all attending by the event organisers. Any dietary requirements can be passed on to the event organisers. We plan to travel to and from school via mini-bus. Students are not required to wear their school uniform.

Cost
There will be no cost for this trip.

Departure & Arrival
- The minibus will leave school at **7.15am**, therefore students are expected to be on site for **7.10am** for registration and a prompt departure.
- We will leave Oxfordshire at around **2.45pm**, arriving back to school at approximately **5.15pm** dependant on traffic.

Should your son/daughter be interested in visiting Oxfordshire with us, please logon to ParentPay to give consent. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. I will be providing students with updates and any further information.

If you have any queries regarding this trip, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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