

THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer,

BBL & WBBL Playoffs, The O2 Stadium Sunday 19th May 2024

I hope your child has enjoyed PE so far this academic year. As the department's vision for PE is to 'Prepare students for life, by providing meaningful and positive experiences', we want to give our students as many opportunities as possible.

As a result - and due to the uptake of basketball within the school for fixtures and clubs - we have managed to secure 30 student tickets to the British Basketball League Playoffs at The O2 stadium on Sunday 19th May. This is a unique opportunity for the School to experience a basketball game in a professional setting for the first time.

The approximate total cost of the trip, including travel by coach and match ticket, will be around £45 - £55. I will send out another letter confirming the final cost. I would advise that students also bring some additional spending money if they wanted to buy any food or drink whilst at the venue.

Itinerary for the day:

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10:00	Departure from school		
12:00	Arrival at The O2		
12:00 - 13:00	Shop and eat within The O2 (students will need s	spen	ding money)
13:15	WBBL Women's play off final starts		
16:15	BBL Men's play off final starts		
18:30	Board bus for departure from The O2		
20:30	Approx arrival back to school (traffic dependant)		

If your child is interested in attending this event, please can they come to the PE Office in order to sign up via our Signup Sheet. We obviously want to reward as many students as possible and ideally would like to take the first 30 students that sign up, however we will also take in account their behaviour and attitude within their PE lessons, as well as their endeavour to attend extra-curricular clubs and events, when selecting the final list of attendees. Please can students sign up by Friday 15th March 2024.

Once your child's place is confirmed, you will receive a confirmation letter and notification of the payment item to be paid via ParentMail. At this same time, you will also receive a separate email from a company called Evolve, asking you to complete a Parental Consent/Medical Questionnaire. Please check your spam/junk email folders in case it is delivered there. Your child will only be able to attend if we have received payment in full and a completed Parental Consent/Medical Questionnaire.

I am extremely proud of our students and their willingness to try new experiences. I hope your child grasps this amazing opportunity.

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Ribbans

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The Buckingham School is concerned that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence to finance@buckinghamschool.org, if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.