

Newbottle and Charlton CEVA Primary School

Small School, Huge Heart - 'Let all that you do be done in love'

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Whole School Trip to The Think Tank Birmingham

We are thrilled to announce that we have organised a special outing for the whole school to visit the Birmingham Science museum- The Think Tank on Monday 17th November 2025. Each class will explore the museum and take part in a special workshop/show linked to their science learning this year.

Oak and Ash- Imagination Playground Workshop

Using the Imagination Playground blocks and through storytelling, games and playful
challenges this session encourages teamwork, resilience and scientific thinking. The
Imagination Playground session has been designed to allow young learners to: 'Play and
explore'- children 'have a go' with the equipment. What do they notice? What shape is the
equipment and how does it work?

Elm- Under Your skin Show

Pupils will discover all about the human body, starting with the teeth and what each of the five
food groups does. They'll learn the importance of 'five a day', why our body needs energy, what
our bones do and how our muscles work! We look at healthy eating and how we can fuel our
bodies to make sure we are as healthy and happy as can be!

Birch- Changing Material Workshop

 Birch will enter the Thinktank science lab and discover a world of ever changing materials and substances. This session has astounding demonstrations and exciting hands-on experiments working with solids, liquids and gases. Pupils will explore how substances can change from one state to another and back again. There's also the chance to show off their scientific skills by accurately measuring the ingredients needed to make their very own slime!

The coaches will depart from school promptly at 8.30 am and we anticipate returning by the end of the school day (3.30pm). All after school clubs will continue as normal.

We encourage everyone to wear their school uniform and bring a coat. Children require a healthy packed lunch with a bottle of water. We are currently awaiting confirmation from Fresh Start if they are able to provide packed lunches for this trip as their policy is to no longer cater for trips taking place on Mondays. We will let you know as soon as possible.

We are delighted to share that the PTFA has generously contributed £5 towards the coach travel for this trip. As a result, the subsidised cost per pupil will be £17. If you are in a position to pay the full price of £22 it would be immensely appreciated as this will help subsidise future school trips for others. The cost includes coach travel, entrance to the Think Tank and workshops. Payments will be uploaded on to School Money shop (rather than the payment section). Please know contributions are voluntary and every child is entitled to take part regardless of whether a contribution is made. However, do bear in mind that the trip may face cancellation if we do not receive sufficient funds.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us. Kind regards,

Mr Peter Pitts-Smith