



WHITGIFT



Dates:

**Wednesday,
19 July 2017**

**Thursday,
20 July 2017**

**Friday,
21 July 2017**

Time:

9.30am – 3.45pm

Venue:

Whitgift School

Cost:

**£60 per day
(£120 for two days,
£180 for 3 days)**

Whitgift School Prospective New Boys Science Taster Days

WHITGIFT  SUPERHEROES

Whitgift enjoys a strong and growing reputation for the quality of its science teaching. Many boys choose to take up science courses at A Level and IB, with a significant proportion going on to study science at top universities, including Oxford and Cambridge. The School is justifiably proud of the standard of science on offer to its pupils, with 84% (the highest ever) Level 6 and 7 in IB, 80% A*/B grades in Sciences at A Level and 94% A*/A grades in Separate Sciences at IGCSE. There are numerous competitions that pupils enter with great success, from International Junior Science Olympiads to London-wide science challenges.

Through our work in the Whitgift Primary Project, our Science Department has put on regular lessons during term time for visiting Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. These hour-long sessions have been very well received, making use of our extensive lab facilities and apparatus. Building on the success of previous Science Taster Days, we would like to offer a superb opportunity to Year 5 and Year 6 pupils who have an interest in expanding their understanding of science.

Our three-day Science Taster course is designed to improve your son's science skills and knowledge; the course will also be immense fun! The purpose is to allow prospective new boys to have a taste of the wide-ranging opportunities available to them at Whitgift. The theme of these taster days will be 'Superheroes'. The first day will involve reactive metals, flame tests, frog dissections, making slime, and strength of metals. The second day will allow your son to make nylon, build electrical circuits, make and test indicators, and look at birds and insects. The third day will involve magnetic strengths, chromatographs, secret enzymes, and building your very own superhero!

The course is open to any boy currently in Year 5 or 6. We also extend the invitation to friends of your son. Please include their names on the form. As this is an academic course that involves active participation in science activities, we do need to be strict on age and we must be aware of any special needs.

The day's activities start at 9.30am and will finish at 3.45pm, with a break during the morning and for lunch. The School will be open and supervised at 9.00am if this provides a more convenient drop-off time. Please ensure children are not left before this time and that pick-up time is prompt. Lunch is not included in the cost, therefore your son will need to bring a packed lunch with him in a clearly labelled box or bag.

All laboratory apparatus and chemicals will be provided by the School, but appropriate clothing and footwear should be worn. This includes casual clothes that are not loose-fitting and that you do not mind getting dirty; no shorts or open-toe footwear and no chains or jewellery, please. Long hair may need to be tied back.

The cost of the course is £60 per person per day, (£120 for two days, £180 for three days). Please could cheques be made payable to *Whitgift School*. There are limited places available, and priority will be given to boys coming for all three days due to the nature of the course. However, please don't feel an application for one day will be wasted. On receiving your application for this course, we will let you know as promptly as possible whether a place is available or whether you have been placed on a waiting list. For those on the course, further details of activities will be sent to you at the beginning of July.



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Please return to the Admissions Office, Whitgift School, Haling Park, South Croydon, CR2 6YT.



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My son

Current school year group

School presently attending

Special needs

Would like to join the Science Taster Days at Whitgift to be held on:

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He would like to bring the following friends:

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I enclose a cheque for (£60 per boy per day, £120 per boy for two days, £180 per boy for three days) made payable to *Whitgift School*. Unfortunately, due to staffing costs, we are unable to refund the course fee should your son be unable to attend for any reason.

Signed (Parent/Guardian)

Address

Emergency Contact Tel. No.

Email Address

*Please tick the relevant box(es)