



# The Henry Cort Community College

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Dear Parents/Carers

## **Festival of Speed STEM Programme**

We are very pleased to inform you that we have been given the opportunity to take **40 students** to the **Goodwood Festival of Speed** on **Thursday 9 July 2026**.

This trip will inspire and strengthen students' interest in pursuing careers within STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) fields, offering them a unique opportunity to engage with real-world applications of these subjects.

Selection for this trip has been made in recognition of students in Years 7, 8 and 9 who have consistently met our high expectations for positive behaviour throughout the school year and have the highest number of House Points. To ensure as many students as possible have this opportunity, those who attended the trip last year will not be eligible this year. We are delighted to invite your child to take part.

The FOS Tech STEM Programme is designed for students aged 11–16 and provides young people with the chance to experience the Festival of Speed while taking part in a wide range of interactive science, technology, engineering and mathematics activities.

Students will need to be at college by **07:00**, ready to depart by coach at **07:15**. We expect to return to college at approximately **17:00**. If your young person normally travels home by bus, please arrange an alternative means of transport for this day.

Goodwood Festival of Speed have kindly provided the tickets **free of charge** and have also covered the cost of coach travel to and from the event. Therefore, **there will be no cost for this trip**.

If you would like your child to attend, please complete [the consent form](#) by **12:00pm on Thursday 11 June 2026**. If you would prefer your child not to attend, please let us know as soon as possible so the place can be offered to another student. If we do not receive consent by the deadline, the place will be reallocated.

Students must wear **full college uniform** and bring a **packed lunch**. If your child is eligible for **free school meals** and requires a packed lunch to be provided, please indicate this on the consent form.

As always, students' attendance and behaviour will continue to be monitored and we reserve the right to withdraw a student from the trip if necessary.

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

Yours sincerely

Mrs S White  
Trip Organiser

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