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Dear Parents and Carers

## **REF: STEM on Track 2024-25**

We are delighted and very excited about being able to offer an exciting STEM opportunity for your child currently in year 7-9. From September, we will be running a 1 year, 30-week STEM on track project through Espire.

The project follows a 30-week programme where pupils work together to build, learn and race a go-kart. This opportunity is limited to 30 spaces a year. Pupils will not only gain practical skills but also a greater understanding of contextualising science, technology, engineering and maths with real life examples. For instance, when building the brakes pupils will follow an online learning platform that makes links to forces and energy transfers.

The enrichment programme will run after school for one hour per week as our main STEM activity.

There will be a £100 fee for each participating pupil which will cover the cost of being able to access the online learning portal for the year. In addition, as part of the project, pupils will be expected to contact local businesses for sponsorship in return for logos to go on our Go-kart or seeking other sponsorship events to raise the funds to cover the remaining costs of the kart. I'm sure you will appreciate the unique opportunity this will give to pupils in developing those 'softer skills' that are valued by employers but can't always be developed in the traditional classroom. This project provides opportunities to develop skills for those who are wishing to pursue STEM related academics or careers post-16.

At the end of the project in June 2025, our pupils along with other schools taking part will join together at Whilton Mill race circuit to race their Go-Karts in a tournament style event.

If your child is interested in gaining a place, we look forward to inviting you and your child along to an information evening on Tuesday 4th June, 5pm.

Please confirm your interest and attendance to the information evening by completing the online form - [here](#)

We are very much looking forward to launching this project at our school on what I am sure will be a uniquely engaging learning experience.

Kind regards,

Mr A Moore  
Head of Science

