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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to let you know about a fantastic opportunity available to Year 11 girls who are interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) subjects at school and who may be considering a career in this area.

STEM is one of the fastest growing employment sectors in the country and an estimated 1 in 4 jobs in the UK is directly related to science and technology. Students with a strong background in STEM are more likely to gain employment than their peers and more likely to earn higher salaries during their careers than those without such skills.

The Engineering Development Trust (EDT) is a national charity dedicated to providing experiences to students across the UK, helping them to gain valuable insight into the many and varied careers that are available within the STEM sector.

Inspire courses:

The EDT offer an opportunity for females in Year 11 to attend a three day course after they have finished their last GCSE exams. The course is a mixture of exciting hands on activities and personal development sessions designed to develop an understanding of the fantastic career opportunities available and to build the skills needed to be successful in STEM subjects at A Level and beyond. Details about this opportunity can be found here:

http://www.etrust.org.uk/inspire-year-11-girls-courses

The cost of a residential course is £195 and the cost of a non-residential course (all of which are in London) is £108. The EDT can offer bursaries to students for whom this cost might be a barrier.

Applications are open now and while the EDT do their best to give everyone who applies a place on the Inspire courses they are in high demand so students should apply as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

If you have any questions about this opportunity which are not answered by the EDT website above please feel free to get in touch: dchapman@wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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