

Astronomy Club

Dear Parent,

The evening version of astronomy club will start on Thursday 22nd of September. It runs most Thursdays during term from 7.30-8.30, school uniform is not expected.

Where other school events, like parents evenings, mean that astronomy club does not run, I will endeavour to let the boys know in advance through their form masters. However, if you are not sure you can always check the Physics VLE pages. (School website – follow the link to the VLE – you do not have to log in – on the left hand side “Learning by Subject” and then “Physics” and then finally “Astronomy Club”). Any cancellations will be announced on the Astronomy Club page.

Usually the boys are ready for pick up about 8.35. Just occasionally Securicor finish before us and lock the outer gate behind them, I will reopen it when we are done.

The aim is to have an informal atmosphere where the boys can discuss an area of physics that normally provokes a lot of interest, but GCSE Astronomy is available to be taken, providing the coursework is done, at the end of year eleven. We will therefore cover the content of GCSE astronomy in the classroom on the Thursday evenings, we will only occasionally use the telescopes to observe. On clear winter evenings, however, when observing is possible, warm clothing is required.

Thank you for taking the trouble to deliver and retrieve your son out of normal hours, I hope he will enjoy astronomy club, please feel free to contact me with any questions at s.cooke@vcj.sch.je

Yours sincerely

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