

Dear Parent/Carer

Ipsley CE RSA Academy have an after-school club to focus on STEM projects.

STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and mathematics and is a nationwide organisation that promotes these subjects in schools and colleges. At Ipsley we are hoping to show links between these three departments and complete projects after school for pupils to experience how these subjects matter in today's society rather than have pupils see them as separate subjects.

We would like pupils who are interested in STEM club to sign up for the after school club for the whole duration of the project. Each project will last a half term. The final project of the year will begin from 6th June until 18th July 2019, and is a garden challenge. All students will work together on developing a school garden and identifying the best growing conditions for plants. All sessions will be held at Ipsley CE RSA Academy. Students will need to bring a change of clothes and wellington boots or suitable footwear for the Thursday STEM sessions as it will involve digging and weeding in the garden. Students are also asked to help maintain the garden throughout the week by watering the flowers at lunchtimes.

If your child is interested, please give permission for them to be in school until 4:15pm on Thursdays from 6th June until 18th July 2019, by completing the reply slip at the bottom of the page and returning it to Mrs Duggins by 4th June 2019.

This STEM club has a limited number of places so pupils will be allocated on the project on a first come, first serve basis.

If you would like to view any other STEM projects then the website has many ideas that can also be done at home. Go to the website <https://www.stem.org.uk/> for more details.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Duggins
KS3 Science Leader (Ipsley and Arrow Vale)

STEM Project

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

I give permission for my child to attend the STEM project sessions from 6th June until 18th July 2019

- My child will make their own way home
- My child will be collected at 4.15pm
- My child has permission to have their picture taken which may be used by the school for future information and/or marketing (e.g. newsletters, website etc.)

Signed: _____ Date: _____