

Institute of Physics

LONDON AND SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH REMS SECTION

Visit to Haberdashers Askes Boys School 11 November 2004

This visit has been organised by Desmond Howlett

Haberdashers Askes School, founded in 1690 still maintains links with and receives support from the Haberdashers' Livery Company in the City of London. The school has an established reputation for academic excellence combined with sporting and cultural activities. It moved to its present site in Hertfordshire in the 1960's and has recently opened a new sciences building (the Aske Building) which we are invited to view. Since the visit will be during term time, it will differ from our normal pattern and will begin towards the end of the school day. To allow for flexibility in travelling times we shall meet for lunch; this will ensure we arrive at the school as a single party.

The programme will be:

- 12.00-2.00 Meet at the Battleaxes pub for lunch. (Note: the pub does not open until 12 noon)
- 3.00/3.15 Move to the school (which is very near the pub)
 - Tour of the Aske Building
- 3.55 Tea in Physics Department
- 4.15-5.15 Lecture by Dr. Jim Emerson, Reader in Astrophysics at QMC (for REMS members plus sixth formers) (Lecturer and subject to be confirmed)
- 5.20 Sherry in Physics Department
- 5.30 Seminar on science teaching (to be chaired by John Bausor)
- ?? Close

To assist in planning the seminar, if you have any questions or points you would like to discuss in the area of science education in general or physics in particular please call Desmond Howlett on 01727-861758 or John Bausor on 0208-952-5349.

Travel - By Road

The school is located in Butterfly Lane, Elstree which is a turning off the A5183 Watling Street (On the right travelling South, left travelling North) between Radlett and Elstree. The A5183 intersects the A41 just south of Elstree close to J4 of the M1 (Note: the A5183 is not accessible from the M1 in either direction at J4). Continue to the end of Butterfly Lane, past the school entrance on the left; the pub is on the right at a corner.

From the M25 clockwise, leave at J19 (the Watford spur) then follow the A41 (North Western Avenue) past Watford to its intersection with the A5183. Turn North through Elstree. From the M25 anti-clockwise, leave at J22 then follow the B556 (Bell Lane/Harper Lane) to its intersection with the A5183. Turn South through Radlett.

From the North use M1 to J5 then follow A41 as above or, if sufficiently far North, transfer from M1 to M10 at J7. At the end of the M10 continue straight ahead to the A5183 through Park Street and Radlett. From Central London follow A41 (Finchley Road/Hendon Way/Watford Way) to the A5183 intersection as above.

For those with access to the web there is a good map on the school website (www.habsboys.org.uk). For those without web access who would like a map or any further guidance on travel call Desmond Howlett on the number above.

By Rail

The nearest station is Elstree & Borehamwood on the Thameslink Brighton - Bedford service. Trains are fairly frequent (n.b. fast services do not stop at Elstree & Borehamwood). Those coming by Thameslink from the South may need to change at Blackfriars or Kings Cross Thameslink. Transport from the station can be arranged; call Desmond Howlett on the number above.



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