



# Midhurst Rother College

The best in everyone™

Part of United Learning

12 September 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

## **EGX Birmingham NEC 2018**

The Computer Science department at Midhurst Rother College is delighted to confirm that your son / daughter is confirmed to attend the trip to the EGX Gaming Convention in Birmingham on Thursday 20 September 2018.

The students will travel to the NEC by coach, leaving Midhurst Rother College at 5.30am and returning at about 8pm. Can I please ask that students arrive promptly at the College to ensure that the coach departs at the scheduled time.

We wish for students to attend the following sessions, to give them a true insight into the production and launching of a computer game:

### **12pm: New game announcement – Animal Crossing meets Papers, Please**

*Excalibur, the PC games specialist and publisher of Jalopy, reveal a brand new game live on stage. The mystery title is intriguingly pitched as Animal Crossing meets Papers, Please. Look out for an audience Q&A at the end of the session and the worldwide exclusive opportunity to play the game on the show floor once the session is complete.*

### **2pm-2.45pm: Lessons from game development - If you build it, they will come**

*Join the team from Centrifuge (makers of Interference and other casual games) as they discuss their game dev journey over the last few years and share the incorrect assumptions and mistakes that they made along the way. Featuring panellists Nathan Beardmore, Berni Williams Sarah Ashton.*

On arrival, students will be registered and instructed of the meeting place located inside the NEC building. We will register students again at 11:50am before going into the theatre hall for the first talk of the day. Once the talk has finished, we will stay together for lunch and then attend the next session at 2pm. After this talk, we will register and then register at 4:30pm before departure.

Students will have the rest of time free to explore EGX but must be in small groups (at least 3 students per group) and will be encouraged to speak to developers and ask questions about the production and programming of computer games.

**Principal: Stuart Edwards**

Midhurst Rother College  
North Street  
Midhurst

West Sussex GU29 9DT

t 01730 812451

f 01730 813524

e [enquiries@mrc-academy.org](mailto:enquiries@mrc-academy.org)

[www.mrc-academy.org](http://www.mrc-academy.org)



This is a non-uniform visit, but we expect our students to be appropriately dressed for the event. We would ask that students are dressed in a smart casual style and wearing sensible shoes as students will be on their feet for most of the day. Students will need to bring a packed lunch and may wish to bring some money with them if they want to buy some merchandise or some additional food while at the event.

More information about the event can be found via the following link: <https://www.egx.net/egx/2018>

If you would like any further information or in the event of an emergency, please do not hesitate to contact us on telephone number 01730 812451 or my email address [dan.downie@mrc-academy.org](mailto:dan.downie@mrc-academy.org).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping, fluid strokes that form a stylized, somewhat abstract shape.

Mr D Downie  
Teacher of Computer Science