Get the most out of The Big Bang Fair

13-16 March 2019
The NEC, Birmingham

#BigBangFair

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Eight lucky winners will take home an Airblock – a programmable, transformable drone – along with a Kindle Fire to fly and control it!

Prize donated by Welcome to The Big Bang Fair 2019!

Don’t miss out

Encourage young visitors to:

• Talk to scientists and engineers about what they do
• Get stuck into over 100 hands-on activities
• Check out mind-boggling shows
• Enter the Big Bang Challenge and win
• Attend a careers show in the Careers Cabin
• Talk to The Big Bang Competition finalists about their awesome projects
• Explore the new STEM Playground… and much, much more!

We hope you enjoy your day!

From everyone at The Big Bang Fair

General information

The staff at the information desks and the volunteers in red t-shirts are here to help you have a great day. They are on hand to provide general information about the event and they can also help with:

• Getting you medical assistance if you need it
• Finding your group if you become lost
• Locating a missing member of your group
• Reporting lost property

Opening times

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 09.30 – 16.00
Saturday: 09.00 – 16.30

Emergency

In the event of an emergency, the security team will manage the evacuation of the building.

Refreshments

Food and drinks are available for purchase within Halls 17-20. There are picnic areas for those who have brought a packed lunch.

Classroom

The classrooms are located by Hall 20 and 17 entrances. Items are charged at £1 each.

Spotlight on careers

The Big Bang Fair brings classroom learning to life for young people aged 7 to 19.

We want every visitor to understand how important scientists and engineers are in shaping the world around us. With the right experience and qualifications, anyone can have a career in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM).

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Career Captains

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In the Careers Cabin

At home in the dome

Those aged 12 or over can drop in and speak to scientists and engineers in the Careers Cabin dome. Visitors will be able to quiz the professionals about what they do, ask for advice and listen to the incredible stories of their careers. This informal networking activity runs throughout the day.

Careers advice

Our qualified careers advisers are on hand to give tailored information, advice and guidance on different routes into STEM careers.

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