

Young pupils set to take off with careers following RAF museum fun

1,000 children attend STEM event aimed at inspiring them to enjoy science and tech

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More than 1,000 children have taken part in a day full of workshops, demonstrations, and activities at RAF Cosford.

Forces in STEM is a large-scale science, technology, engineering, and maths event which took place at the RAF Museum Midlands on September 28.

The Museum was closed to the public on the day, and open exclusively for Forces in STEM attendees.

Jack Rowley, RAF museum access and learning officer said: "Forces in STEM demonstrates the exciting opportunities a career in STEM can offer young people, by encouraging creative thinking and sparking curiosity.

"Delivered in partnership by the RAF Museum and Royal Air Force, the event brings together leading experts from the Aerospace and STEM industry.

"More than 1,100 school students and home educators from across the Midlands joined us on the day, for the chance to speak to the experts and get a taste for the STEM work they

do.

"We hope getting hands-on with STEM activities has inspired the next generation to consider this as a career path in the future."

Jointly organised by the RAF Museum's Access and Learning team, and RAF Youth STEM team, the day consisted of workshops, demonstrations, and activities across the entire Museum site, for students to learn from in a fun and engaging way.

The event also had fantastic support from many organisations and industry leaders across the aerospace and STEM spectrum.

Wing Commander Russ Barnes, RAF Youth STEM team said: "The Royal Air Force is proud to be working in partnership with the RAF Museum to provide such an exciting free opportunity for over 1,100 young people to explore the opportunities STEM has to offer."



Children from St Margaret's CE School at Hasbury meet SPOT the robot dog



Lia Stringer and Bella Heathcock with flight lieutenant Michelle Randall



Ten-year-old Lucas Cartlidge from Penkrige Middle School



Theo Griffiths, aged 10, with Andy Collins from the Red Arrows team



John Hartley from Squirrel Learning with pupils