



09 February 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,



Winchester Science Centre and Planetarium

As part of our topic in Year 3, we will be offering your child the opportunity to visit the Winchester Science Centre and Planetarium. This will be an extremely informative and exciting learning day for the children and we are confident that they will benefit greatly from this experience.

Why?

As part of our Space, Magnets and Forces Topics, Year 3 will be visiting Winchester Science Centre. Both classes will be taking part in a 'Robot programming' workshop as well as having an opportunity to fully explore the Centre.

When?

Year 3 will be visiting Winchester Science Centre on **Wednesday 26th April 2023**.

How will we get there?

We will be travelling to and from the Centre by coach and we are aiming to **depart** promptly at **9:00am** so all children need to arrive in school by 8.45am and we will **return** to school for **3:00pm**.

What should the children wear?

Please ensure your child has their school uniform on.

Lunch arrangements

If you have previously ordered a hot school meal for this day, Chartwells will automatically substitute this to an 'Away Day Lunch', which consists of a cheese sandwich, bag of crudité's, a dessert, a piece of fruit and a drink. Alternatively, please cancel your hot meal order directly with Chartwells and provide a packed lunch for your child to bring with them on the day of the trip.

The 'Away Day' lunches will be given to the children to put in their bags on the morning of the trip, as there are no refrigeration facilities. For children that will be bringing their own packed lunch, please ensure they have **no nuts**. Please ensure that your child brings a backpack and a water bottle to school on the day of the trip.

Please can you ensure that any cancellations, orders or amendments are made before Chartwells deadline of **Sunday 9th April 2023**.



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Permission and payment

In order for the trip to go ahead, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£11.44** per child to cover the cost of the Centre activities. We are very fortunate that we have received a charitable donation to cover the costs of the travel for all children. We request all parents make payment and give consent for this visit using ParentMail, our online payment system.

Contributions for all enrichment activities need be collected via ParentMail by **Friday 31st March** which is the last day of Term so that sufficient notice of cancellation can be given to companies if required to avoid penalty charges.

Although these contributions are voluntary, if we do not receive sufficient contributions the trip will unfortunately be cancelled. The overall decision will be taken by the Head teacher to cancel the activity if necessary. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher if you require any assistance with payment.

Other important information

We will **not** be visiting the gift shop so please do not give your child any money.

Please email, write or speak to office staff in advance of the trip if at any point before the trip, you wish to withdraw your permission, or if your child's contact/medical details have changed.

We have space to take three volunteers per class on the visit, please let your child's class teacher know if you would like to help by **Thursday 30th March**. We will then be able to confirm either way by **Friday 31st March**.

I am sure you will agree this will be a very exciting opportunity for your children.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year 3 Team.



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