

Friday 18th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 Winchester Science Centre – Tuesday 6th October 2026

We are delighted to offer your child a space on our upcoming Year 5 Day Trip to the Winchester Science Centre, on Tuesday 6th October 2026. This trip will be incredibly beneficial towards the pupils Year 5 learning journey as we will be exploring Earth and Space within our Science curriculum and Planet Information Text within our English lessons.

To make this trip as successful as possible there are a number of costs involved: entry to the Science Museum and the cost of the coaches. We are therefore seeking contributions of **£26.00 per pupil**. We have tried to keep the cost as low as possible, choosing somewhere that has a low entry cost but we appreciate that the cost of this trip may be high for some families. To give consent for your child to attend and to pay the contribution please go to the Trip section on your Arbor app **no later than Thursday 1st October 2026**.

Our visit will include time to look around and investigate the hands-on exhibits; take part in a 'Blast off' workshop; and experience the 'Solar System and Beyond' in a Planetarium show. The coaches will be leaving Solent Junior School at 9:00am and are scheduled to leave Winchester Science Centre at 2:00pm to return to school for approximately 3:00pm. Children will be expected to arrive at school at normal time for registration.

On the day, children will need to:

1. Wear smart school uniform
2. Bring a full water bottle and an optional healthy snack (both named)
3. Packed Lunch (see notes below)

Packed Lunch Box will need to be **named** please, this will be stored in the Centre's dedicated locations. If you would like to order a picnic bag for the visit then please contact the school office. **These must be ordered by 9am on Friday 25th September at the latest.** A small bag is advised to carry their lunchbox and water bottle.

If your child is likely to suffer from travel sickness they will need to take medication before school starts and have medication with them in a named packet for the return journey, this will need to be handed to their teacher on arrival at school. Children will **not** have the opportunity to visit the shop and so we ask that no money be brought on this trip. Mobile phones will also be left at school as per normal school procedure.

If you have previously helped us as a volunteer and would like to attend the trip to support our pupils, please would you kindly let the year 5 team or the office team know. We appreciate all offers of help!

Kind Regards

Miss Cawthorne, Miss Denham, Miss Atkins and Miss Saunders
Year 5 Team