



a *CARING* school

Headteacher: Mr Glenn Young

Year 5 Space Centre Trip – October 18th 2019

Dear Parents,

On October 18th, as part of their topic 'To Infinity and Beyond', Year 5 have an exciting opportunity to visit the National Space Centre in Leicester to enhance their learning about space.

What are the timings of the trip?

Your child will need to be in school at the usual time of 8:30am and we anticipate leaving OMS by 8:45am so we politely request that all children arrive as early as possible. We will return to school at approximately 5:00pm, traffic permitting. The trip leader will inform the school and let you know if this is going to be significantly later.

What will the children be doing?

Your child will have the opportunity to explore the attractions at the National Space Centre where they will gain a greater understanding of what life is like in space. As part of the experience, they will be allocated a time slot in the Sir Patrick Moore Planetarium. They will learn what it is like to go into Space in an exciting astronaut animated film with a presenter led educational show based around their curriculum topic.

What is the cost and how can I pay?

In line with government, guidance in order to cover the cost of this trip we ask that parents and/or carers make a voluntary contribution of £20 per pupil which can be paid on Parent Pay. If attending, please complete payment on Parent Pay by **Friday 4th October** at the latest. There is no obligation to make a contribution, which covers the cost for your child to attend and for transport costs. Children whose parents are unable or unwilling to pay will not be excluded. However, if we do not get enough contributions then the trip will not be able to go ahead. Parents receiving certain benefits may be entitled to discounts on school activities so please contact the finance team to discuss this/any other matters related to payment.

What will be the arrangements for lunch?

There will be no hot dinners available so **every child** will need to have a **packed lunch** on that day. For logistical reasons this will need to be in a disposable bag but, as always, we encourage the children to try and minimise waste and maximise opportunities for recycling. If your child normally receives a school meal (including a Free School Meal), or you would like them to have a school packed lunch, please make payment via ParentPay and complete and return the attached trip school packed lunch order form.

Other information

The school will take any medication it has on site for children attending the trip. Please email your child's class teacher should your child require any medication that is not kept at school which they may need (including travel sickness tablets) and we will advise accordingly. As the children are in a public place, it is extremely important that they demonstrate CARING behaviour, in line with our school values. If this is not the case either before or during the trip, the school reserves the right to withdraw the opportunity to attend or fully participate in the trip. Should the school have concerns, they will contact you to discuss and explain the way forward. Children will be required to **wear their full school uniform** on the trip. Please return the slip below by **Friday 4th October** to confirm whether your child will be attending. If we do not receive a slip by this date, your child will not be able to attend, as we need to confirm final numbers with the venue.

If you have any questions regarding the trip, please contact Mr Palmer – Head of Year 5 and trip leader.

mrpalmer@olneymiddle.milton-keynes.sch.uk

Kind regards,

The Year 5 Team

Year 5 Trip to the National Space Centre Friday 18th October, 2019

Name of child: **Class:**

My child will be attending the trip to the National Space Centre on Friday 18th October, 2019

My child will not be attending the trip to the National Space Centre.

Signed.....

Date:.....



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