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Dear Parent/Carer

As part of our science topic 'Earth and Space', the Year 5 classes are visiting the National Space Centre in Leicester on Tuesday 5th December 2023. The children will travel by coach, leaving school at 9.00am and returning at approximately 3.45pm.

During their visit the children will have the opportunity to learn about how stars are formed; what gravity there is on other planets and what it's like to be an astronaut. The interactive and hands on nature of the space centre will allow the children to gain a deeper understanding of this interesting topic.

- The children should wear school uniform.
- They will need a packed lunch (no glass bottles please).
- If your child is already entitled to free school meals and would like a packed lunch provided, then please let school know at least 3 days before the trip – 01159534707
- Please note there are no lockers available on site, therefore children will have to carry any extra clothing they bring, please bear this in mind – a small rucksack may be advisable

The children will be able to visit the Space Centre gift shop if they wish to buy a souvenir of the day, however we ask that you do not allow them to bring more than £3.00 please.

The cost of this trip is £20.12 or if your child is entitled to pupil premium, we will fund 50% of this cost, therefore the trip cost will be £10.06. Westdale Junior School is committed to becoming a cashless school and we would prefer payments to be made via Ipayimpact for this trip. If you are willing to allow your son or daughter to go, please pay £20.12 using the online system along with the permission by Tuesday 28th November 2023.

If paying for this trip causes any financial concerns for you, please speak in confidence to Miss Kyle, Miss Murphy or Mrs Hall.

Yours sincerely

Miss S Murphy, Mrs E Hall and Mr M Knight