

Year 5

# Winchester Science Centre & Planetarium



**Residential trip**

Thursday 19th - Friday 20th March 2026

# Why are we going?

- Science topic- Space
- Personal development benefits
- Independence
- Confidence
- Teamwork
- Resilience
- Not too far - great first trip away!



# Why a museum sleepover?

- Unique learning opportunities
- Hands-on workshops or exhibits
- Safe, controlled environment
- Science topic based learning









# Dates, times and logistics

## 19th March

- Departure time and location: Get to school for between 4:45-5:00pm. Use side entrance to come to the hall
- Coaches departing Horsell Junior School @ 5:10pm approx
- Arrival time at the museum: 6:30pm

## 20th March

- Departure from the museum: 9:30am
- Pick-up time the next day: 3:10pm as usual

# Coach parking and drop off



## Sleepovers

Get set for a night to remember.

Snooze inside the giant guitar.  
Watch a spectacular Planetarium show.  
And enjoy a yummy breakfast.



Planetarium outside

**Cafe/ breakfast  
area**



**Space journey:  
downstairs**



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# Where will the children sleep?

- Sleep amongst the exhibits
- A rocket, a spaceship, a giant guitar- they can choose!
- Type of bedding (sleeping bags/ mats to lay on)
- Low lighting at night
- Toilets access overnight
- Staff are nearby all night
- Children are never alone

# Staff supervision

- Year 5 teaching staff and senior member of staff
- First aid trained staff
- Miss Withers will co-ordinate medical
- Staff will also be sleeping amongst the exhibits and spread around to cover specific areas
- Winchester Science Centre staff also there overnight

# Safety, medical and wellbeing

- Risk assessments completed
- Museum safety procedures
- Fire safety arrangements
- Secure building overnight
- Medical forms will be sent out
- Allergy awareness
- Homesickness
- Night-time worries

# Food and drink

- Children should eat a small meal before they arrive at school.
- Dinner is not provided.
- Bring a small snack with them (e.g. sandwich and a piece of fruit)
- Hot chocolate and chocolate bar/ biscuit in the evening
- Breakfast: cereal, croissants, juice
- Lunch at school on Friday
- Dietary requirements - on medical forms

# Schedule

	<b>DAY 1</b>
18:30	Arrival and bag drop (downstairs)
18:50	Welcome & Safety Briefing (downstairs)
19:00	Explore Exhibits (downstairs)
19:45	Hot Chocolate and Biscuit (downstairs)
20:15	Explore exhibits (upstairs)
21:00	Bed Down
22:00	Lights off

# Schedule

	<b>DAY 2</b>
06:30	Lights on and time to pack belongings away
07:30	Breakfast of croissant, cereal and juice (tea/coffee for adults)
08:00	Planetarium film show
09:00	Departures
09:30	Back on coaches
11:00	Back to school - follow up activities
15:10	Pick up from school as normal

# What children need to bring

- Sleeping bag, sleeping mat & pillow
- Pyjamas
- Soft toy
- Change of clothes for next day
- Extra clothes for warmth
- Toiletries- toothbrush, toothpaste
- Slippers/ slip on shoes for night time (optional)
- Named water bottle
- Small bag/rucksack/ suitcase
- Do not to bring (electronics, phones, valuables, money)

# How can you help?

- Volunteers to come for the sleepover
- Pack together
- Label everything
- Talk positively about the experience

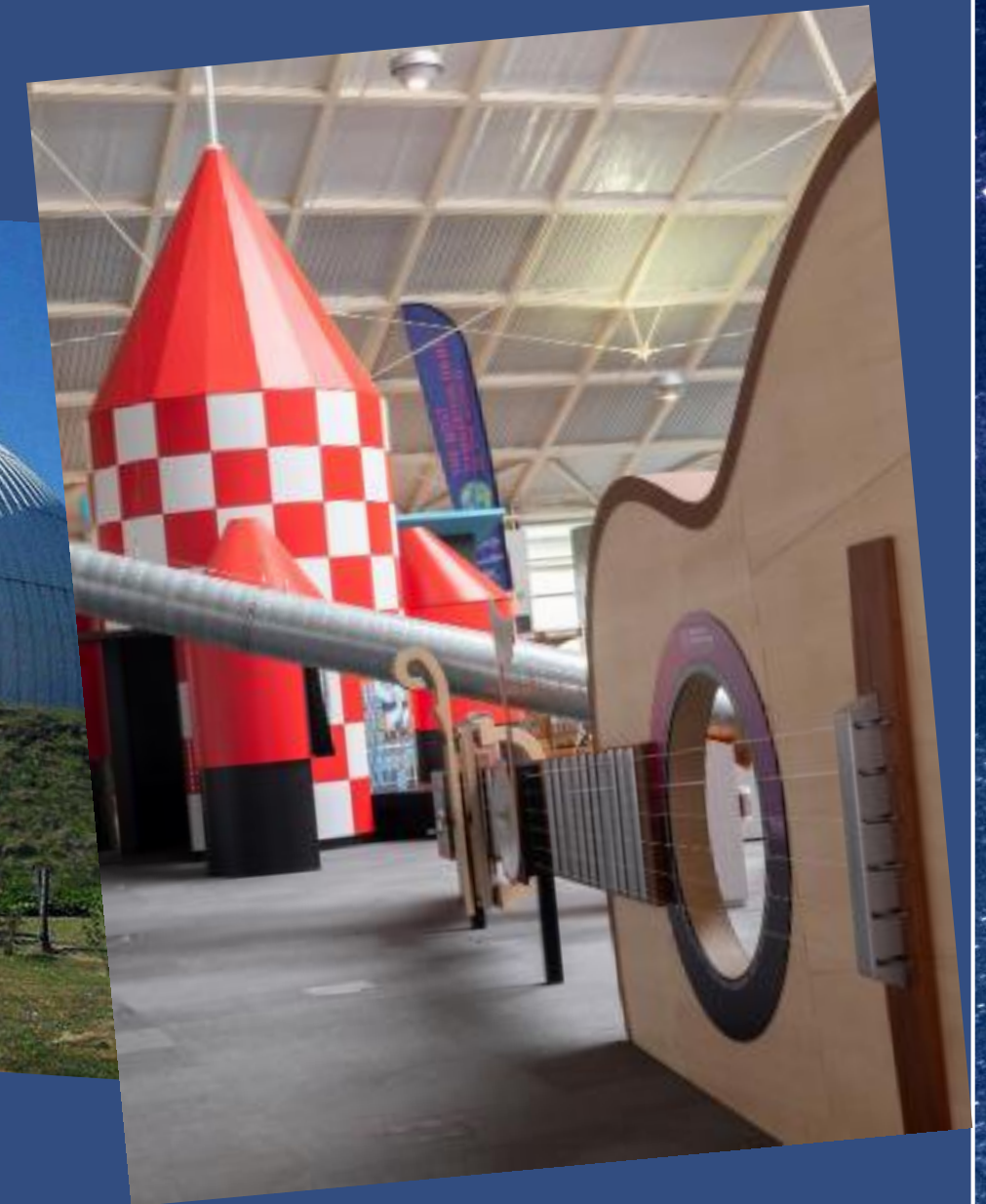
# Costs

- Total cost: £64.04 per child (approx/ subject to change)
- What is included: Coach travel, drinks, snacks, breakfast, museum visit, free roam of the exhibits, planetarium show
- Payment on SCOPAY
- Financial support options (please speak to your class teacher or the school office)

# Key dates and next steps

- Medical forms
- Final kit list distribution
- Ask friends and family for sleeping bags etc- we are not expecting you to buy all new stuff!

# Thank you!



# Any questions?