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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 5/6 Trip to the London Science Museum and Space Wow Day

Space Wow Day - Wednesday 21st January 2026



We have arranged a Space Wow Day run by Education Group on **Wednesday 21st January 2026**. Children will experience a number of 'Astronaut Training' activities including a Virtual Reality workshop. Virtual Reality transports you to places you cannot easily visit. The whole class simultaneously blasts off into space, piloting their research vessels around planets and moons, delving deep into the wonders of the solar system as they travel.

The facilitators provide a fully-networked class set of headsets, delivering their own software, CGI and games. This incredible immersive experience truly boosts learning and fact retention. With this fascinating workshop designed to ignite curiosity, perhaps we will inspire the next generation of scientists and astronauts who may one day blast off into space for real!

Please could children come to school dressed in appropriate clothes for 'Astronaut Training'; joggers, sweatshirt and trainers would be ideal.

Science Museum – Thursday 26th February 2026

As part of our topic 'To Infinity and Beyond' we have organised an educational visit to the London Science Museum on **Thursday 26th February 2026**. The Science Museum offers children the opportunity to discover how we've sent spacecraft to other planets, walked on the Moon and peered into the heart of our galaxy and beyond. Children will visit the Exploring Space gallery and learn about worlds beyond Earth and the technology that has been developed to help us explore and survive in space. They will also have a session in Wonderlab where they will get hands-on with a range of interactive science experiences. And finally, the children will attend the Science Museum Rocket Show which presents space travel in a whole new light, from becoming a human rocket to watching an ethanol rocket take off in front of their very own eyes. It's a very exciting day!



The trip will start earlier than an ordinary school day. Please ensure that your child is at school, ready to leave for **8:00am** and we will not be back at school until **4:30pm**. Children will need to wear full school uniform and have a waterproof coat with them. They will also need a packed lunch and plenty to drink in a non-breakable container (no cans/glass bottles please). If your child has a hot meal booked on the day of the trip, please ensure that you contact Chartwells as soon as possible to cancel this.



There is a souvenir shop on site and, if you wish, you may on the day of the trip send in a **maximum of £10.00** for your child to spend. This will be your child's responsibility to look after during the trip, so please put it in a named purse/wallet.

If your child needs medication for travelling or during the day please contact the office before the trip takes place so the necessary consent forms can be signed. Children should also remember to take with them inhalers for the treatment of asthma if required.

Cost Breakdown



To help towards covering the subsidised cost which includes the Science Museum activities, coach travel, insurance, Wow Day VR experience, and other topic related events throughout the term, we would ask for a voluntary contribution of **£35.00** per child.

Visits and visitors really enhance the curriculum of the children and we would love all the children to be able to participate. Payment can be made via your child's ParentPay account which has been set up to accept instalments. Sadly, if insufficient contributions are received to help towards the cost of the topic, we may have to cancel some or all of the events. If you have any difficulty with making a contribution towards this, please see your child's teacher or Mr Andrews in confidence.

We would also like to say a huge THANK YOU to FUBS who have contributed towards this topic in order to keep the costs down for parents.

Yours faithfully
Mr Jones, Miss Underdown and Mr Long
Year 5/6 Class Teachers