

Dear Parents and Carers,

Winchester Science Centre

At Berrywood we aim to offer your children the fullest possible education, with a varied exciting curriculum. As part of this, projects are often supported by educational visits or visitors, which I know are thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

The school budget finances all the 'essentials' that are needed to ensure the National Curriculum is delivered, but cannot support these visits. It is for this reason that I have to ask parents if they are willing to contribute towards the cost where applicable. If you are unable to contribute the full amount, any contribution received would work towards making the visit more viable. Should a number of parents not be prepared to make a contribution then, unfortunately, the visit may not be able to proceed.

Year 5 have booked a visit to Winchester Science Centre on **Wednesday 8th January 2020** to support their project 'Lost in Space'.

On this day your child will require a packed lunch in a named lunchbox – no glass bottles or fizzy drinks please. If your child is entitled to free school meals a lunch bag will be provided, however should you not require this please inform your child's class teacher. In addition to this, if your child has signed up to the KS2 healthy snack initiative we will provide your child with an apple, if not your child will also need a separate snack and drink. Please bring your child's lunchbox, snack and drinks bottle in a named rucksack which can be easily stored during the day. The cost of the trip is £17.17 per child.

Children will need to wear their normal school uniform. Please do not let your child bring any valuables, money or electrical equipment, (including mobile phones), on the trip.

Since the financial year 2010/11 the income generated from school trips has declined year on year, despite the cost of transport having increased significantly. This has led to the school making a loss to the value of tens of thousands of pounds over this period. I would also like to stress that **schools are not allowed to make a profit from any trip or visitor** and therefore, in the interests of openness, a breakdown of the cost of this trip is shown below.

Activity	Cost
Cost of entry (including workshops & planetarium)	£867.75
Coaches	£600.00
Staffing Costs	£60.75
Total	£1528.50
Divided by 89 Children	£17.174 per head

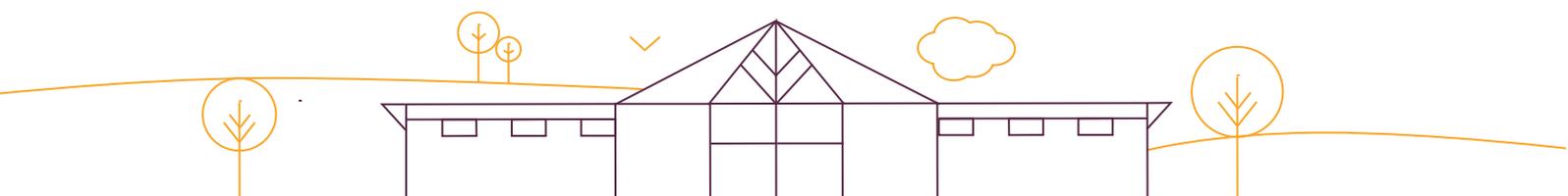
Please return the slip below giving your consent for your child to attend the trip. Please note that the regulations state that we are unable to take children on the trip without a permission slip. The slip below should be returned to your child's class teacher by **Wednesday 18th December 2019** at the latest.

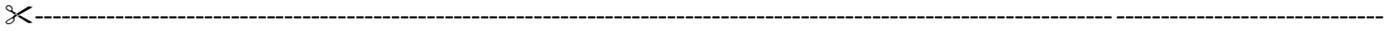
If your child suffers from travel sickness then please can you ensure that appropriate medication is given prior to the trip.

Thank you for your continued support,



Chris Reilly
Headteacher





To: Mrs Brown / Mrs Pitter / Miss Wareham / Mr Roy, Year 5 Team

***I give / *I do not give** consent for my child to go on the trip to Winchester Science Centre on Wednesday 8th January 2020.

***I have** paid online at www.scopay.com/berrywood-pri / ***I enclose** my voluntary contribution of £17.17. If paying by cheque please make payable to Hampshire County Council (HCC).

My contact number for the day will be

Any medical conditions we should be aware of:

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Child's Name: Class:

Signed:Parent/Guardian Date:

***please delete as appropriate**

