

Lowe's Wong Junior School - Year 5 Stargazers Project
National Space Centre- Monday 9th November 2026



September 2026

Dear Parents / Carers of all pupils in Year 5,

We are delighted to announce an exciting new opportunity for our Year 5 pupils as we launch our Stargazers topic with a visit to the National Space Centre in Leicester. This is a brand-new trip for Year 5, and we are incredibly excited to offer our children the chance to explore one of the UK's leading space and astronomy attractions. Children are to wear their school uniform for this trip.

Following careful consideration, we have decided not to bring a planetarium or virtual reality experience into school this year. Instead, we believe that a visit to the National Space Centre will provide a far richer, more immersive and memorable learning experience. Through hands-on exhibits, interactive displays and fascinating space-themed activities, pupils will have the opportunity to deepen their understanding of the topic and bring their classroom learning to life.

Please send your child with a packed lunch for the day. School policy applies, so please do not include nuts, fizzy drinks or sweets. For any child that receives free school meals, a packed lunch will be available if required; however, this **must be requested 2 weeks in advance via the school office**.

Costing: To enable this activity to take place, we invite parents to make a voluntary contribution of **£22.00**. **Please be aware, if insufficient parents make a voluntary contribution towards the visit, we reserve the right to cancel.** We are a 'contactless' school so online payments and consent for this trip are preferred. Please log in to your SchoolMoney account through www.eduspot.co.uk. A link can be found on the school website or via the text sent to you today. If you have any queries regarding funding for this visit for your child, please speak directly to Victoria Baxter in the School Office.

Pupil Premium Funding: Children who qualify for Pupil Premium can use their funding towards this trip. If this applies to you, then this adjustment will show on your Eduspot account once the payment link is available.

Parent Helpers: We would appreciate assistance on this visit from parents or carers. If you are available to help, please may you complete the reply slip below and return it to your child's class teacher by Wednesday 7th October.

Shop: There is a shop at the NSC. If your child would like an opportunity to have a look round and perhaps buy something, we will incorporate this into our visit for them. There is no obligation, however if your child would like to bring some spending money, may we suggest a maximum of £5.00 which should be in a named purse or envelope. The children will take responsibility for their spending money and keep it in their bag.

We're unsure if we'll be back in time for the end of the school day so parents of children who usually catch the bus home need to make other arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

Year 5 Teachers
Mrs Bell and Mr Luetkemeier

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Child's Name:

Class:

- ☐ I give permission for my child to take part in the NSC visit on Monday 9th November 2026
- ☐ I am available to assist if required with my child's class NSC visit on Monday 9th November 2026
- ☐ I do / do not hold a current Notts DBS certificate (*Please delete as appropriate*)

Signed: Parent/Carer Date: