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'Learning together; helping one another to achieve our best'

**Week  
Commencing  
9<sup>th</sup> October**

**MON**  
Parents' evening

**TUES**

**WEDS**  
Parents' evening

**THURS**

**FRI**

## News

### Year 1 Sports Festival at Whittington Green

Yesterday, our Y1 pupils went to Whittington Green School for an afternoon of sports. Mrs Steinhobel couldn't believe how brilliant the children were after an already action-packed, hard-working morning! We were impressed by their skills, hard work and sportsmanship.

### Meet our newly Elected School Council

Last Friday we held our school council elections – complete with real polling booth, box and papers! All children in years 1 – 6 had the chance to vote for their new school council representative and we would like to take this opportunity to introduce them!



This Monday, the group met for the first time with Angela Bebbington from the 'Food for Life' project; their next step is to create an action plan for their next tasks. We will keep you posted on their progress.

## Reading Reward Track

In Key Stage One the new Reading Reward Track is now up and running and we have been delighted by the children's response. Many are already moving rapidly along the track. Reading is a vital way to support your child's learning. In order for us to further support your child the reading diaries will now only be stamped by school staff on a Monday and a Friday. This will enable us to devote the extra time generated to hear children read more often. Thank you for your continued support and happy reading.  
KS1 Staff.

## Safeguarding

We all have a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of our children. If you have any concerns, however small they might seem, about the health and safety of a child at this school, you should share this information with a member of school staff straight away.

The key safeguarding people you need to talk to are:  
Mrs Parr, Mrs Cherry, Mrs Wilkinson, Ms Littlechilds and Mr Hickey.

You can also contact Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190 to report any concerns you may have.

## IT Skills Swap

Mr Roshan will be available until 5pm on both parents' evenings to give information/advice on using the internet safely on your devices.  
The IT Skills Swap will be held in the KS2 non-fiction library thank you.

## School Photograph

All children should have brought home their proof for orders. If you would like to order please do so via school by Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Alternatively you can order directly online within the timescale and check the deliver to school box for free delivery thank you.

## Y5 visit National Space Centre Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November

Dear Parents,

As part of our topic 'The Truth Is Out There', Year 5 children will visit the National Space Centre in Leicester. Whilst at the Space Centre, the children will have an opportunity to go in a planetarium and look around the exhibitions. The children will also take part in a variety of workshops and watch a show 'A Tour of the Night Sky', which links with the follow up work we will complete on our return to school.

**The cost of this visit is £18.50 per child.** We would very much appreciate a voluntary donation of £18.50 (per child) from parents/carers. In the event of insufficient voluntary payments being received it may be necessary to cancel the visit.

We will be leaving school at 8.30am prompt and aim to return at 4.30pm depending on traffic. If we are going to be much later than this then a message will be sent via the text message system.

Children should arrive at school in uniform at 8.10am (no earlier please)  
Children can bring spending money up to £5

All children will require a packed lunch; children entitled to free school meals will receive a packed lunch from school if you wish. (Please indicate on the slip below if you wish to order by Thursday at the latest please).

If your child requires travel sickness medication – please ensure this is taken at home which should cover both journeys (please inform us if your child will be taking medication).

Further information about the centre can be viewed at [www.spacecentre.co.uk](http://www.spacecentre.co.uk).

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Parr,  
Head of School.

NATIONAL SPACE CENTRE

**Please enclose this consent form in a sealed envelope with your donation for your child to hand in to the teacher. All consents and payments must be in by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October thank you.**

I give permission for my child (name) \_\_\_\_\_  
to visit **'The National Space Centre' on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017** and to travel on the coach provided.

I enclose a voluntary donation of £ \_\_\_\_\_

My child is entitled to a free school meal and will require a free packed lunch YES/ NO

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Carer.