



20 February 2019

## Stage 3 - Years 5 & 6 – 3 Day/2 night Canberra & Snow Excursion

### Monday 12 August to Wednesday 14 August 2019

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The following is a guide in regards to the 3 day/2 night Canberra & Snow Excursion. Please use this information as a check list and start planning now so all these items are prepared and ready.

#### Cost & Payment

Please note that the total cost for the excursion is **\$397**. Final payment is due by 9:10am **Friday 31 May 2019** ie the end of Week 5 Term 2. All monies must be paid by this date to enable us to advise the excursion company of final numbers. **There will be no acceptance for late payments**. Should you be experiencing difficulty please contact the front office to make alternate arrangements. Instalments can be made anytime leading up to the close of payments.

#### Itinerary Highlights

<b>Day 1:</b>	<b>Monday 12 August 2019</b>
7.00am	Depart School and travel to Canberra
11.15am	<u>Parliament House – Educational program</u>
1.30pm	<u>Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House</u>
5.30pm	<u>AIS Accommodation &amp; Sports Experience Program</u>
<b>Day 2:</b>	<b>Tuesday 13 August 2019</b>
6:30am	Depart Canberra and head to <u>Smiggin Holes</u>
11:00am	Fun in the snow
5:45pm	Arrive back at <u>Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) Accommodation</u>
<b>Day 3:</b>	<b>Wednesday 14 August 2019</b>
9:00am	<u>Quستاcon – The National Science and Technology Centre</u>
12:00pm	<u>Australian War Memorial</u> – teacher guided tour
6:45pm	Arrival time back at Surveyors Creek Public School

#### Items to Bring:

**Clothing:** Children will need appropriate winter clothing (see list below). **Families will NOT need to purchase nor provide the snow-play attire.** The cost of the trip includes the hiring of waterproof pants, parka and walk boots as well as the snow pass. **Each child will need:**

- Casual warm clothes – ( 3 days)
- Warm Jacket
- 2 sets of comfortable shoes (we will be doing lots of walking)
- Underwear and socks (3 days - spare items are recommended)
- Pyjamas (winter)
- A Beanie & Gloves
- Sunglasses/Snow-Goggles and Mittens/Snow-Gloves for the snow-play

### **Other Items:**

- Personal toiletries
- Sunscreen
- Water bottle (check that it does not leak and your name is on it)
- Book to read, clip board, puzzle book, travel games or cards
- Watch (if you own one)
- Camera (we strongly recommend a disposable style and your name must be clearly written on the camera)
- Plastic bags for dirty clothes
- Suitable clothes
- Smaller back pack with items needed on bus eg:- water, lunch, games

### **Do NOT bring these items**

- **Mobile phones (these are not permitted in primary school educational settings)**
- **CD players, tape players, Ipods, electronic games of any description**
- **Torches**
- **Make up and toiletries that are pressure packs**
- **Jewellery – (studs and sleepers are acceptable)**
- **Umbrellas**

### **Food to Bring**

All meals are provided except recess and lunch on the first day. Therefore, we recommend the following items for day one:

Morning Tea: fruit, cheese and biscuits, snacks (small chips), muesli bars or similar

Lunch: fruit-drink/water, sandwich, snack

### **Dietary Requirements**

If your child does have any dietary needs, please complete the note at the end of this letter and return it to the class teacher no later than Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

### **Medication**

All medication is to be in its original packaging and clearly labelled with instructions. This is to be given to your child's teacher or Mr Hyslop when we are preparing to board the coach. Please complete the medical and consent form and return to your child's class teacher.

If your child suffers from travel sickness we recommend that you give them travel sickness medication before arriving at school and have some dry biscuits or lollies, pack them some plastic bags and refresher towels. These items will be with them on the bus.

If your child has issues with their bladder control while sleeping than you will need to contact your child's teacher or Mr Hyslop. The AIS accommodation has informed us that they will seek payment for a new mattress if it is damaged. Therefore it is necessary to ensure that we are aware of any such problem so that we can help to put procedures in place to avoid a damaged mattress. All such matters will be dealt with discreetly.

### **Money**

There could be a few opportunities for the students to buy a souvenir or two. We recommend between \$20 and \$40. If you wish your child to have spending money it must be safely stored in a wallet that will be the sole responsibility of your child.

## Behaviour

Non –compliant and/or violent behaviour whilst on camp is not acceptable. We will not hesitate to exclude a child from the excursion if they do not comply with our expectations as this is an issue of safety for themselves, for staff and for their peers. While on camp any such behaviour may result in a phone call home in order to make arrangements to collect them. No refunds will be given. Please talk to your child about the high expectations we must have for behaviour while away at camp.

## Room Arrangements

Room allocations will be finalised closer to the camp.

## Departure

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2019:** Please arrive at school no later than 6.30am to provide time to safely board the coach, to say goodbyes and for us to collect medication and mark the roll. **Bus will leave at 7.00am sharp.**

## Returning

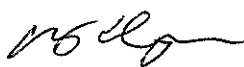
**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2019: 6:45pm.** Please plan ahead to ensure someone will be at school to meet your child at this time. If another parent is collecting your child, please provide them with a handwritten note giving permission to take your child home. We will advise through the Surveyors Creek Facebook page if we are running late.

## Consent and Medical Information Form

It would be appreciated if the attached Consent and Medical Information Form could be completed and returned to the class teacher no later than Friday 29th March, 2019.

We hope this information is of assistance and if details change we will endeavour to keep you informed. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak to Mr Hyslop or your class teacher.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Hyslop  
Assistant Principal



Mrs Browne  
Principal

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**Canberra Excursion Consent & Medical/Special Dietary Requirements**  
(to be returned to the class teacher no later than Friday 29th March 2019)

I hereby give consent for my child: \_\_\_\_\_  
of \_\_\_\_\_ (class) to attend the SCPS Stage 3 Canberra & Snow excursion  
scheduled for the 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> August 2019. I understand they will be travelling by coach to  
and from Canberra and I permit them to participate in the snow-play as part of the  
excursion.

My child has the following dietary/medical issues:

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Parents signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_