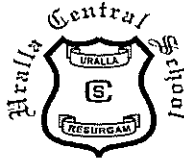


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“Enrichment, Innovation, Opportunity and Success”

26 March 2014

Dear Parents/Carers

There is just over five school weeks before Year 5/6 travel to Tea Gardens for their excursion at the Great Aussie Bush Camp and this will most probably be the last correspondence sent home.

The total cost for the Great Aussie Bush Camp has been confirmed at \$365 per student. All students who have returned their Expression of Interest note and paid their deposit have now been invoiced for the balance of the excursion.

Students need to have paid their final payment on or before 12th May 2014 unless prior arrangements have been made.

As I'm sure you're aware in the case of overnight excursions there are requirements by law that all forms be completed and returned before departure. Some forms have similar or same information but must be completed all the same.

The following information regards departure and return times, a gear check list and some basic guidelines we have set for the excursion:

- Departure time: 8.00am, Monday 19th May 2014 from Uralla Central School bus bay.
- Return time: 3.00pm Thursday 22th May 2014 to Uralla Central School bus bay.
- Travel will be by bus with McPhersons Buses of Walcha.
- **Students are *not permitted* to bring mobile phones on the excursion. If a student for some reason needs to contact home, this will be accommodated by teachers. In case of emergency students can be contacted on the school's mobile, 0400 405 600.**
- Students will stay in cabins, each cabin accommodates 4-6 students and cabin groups will be organised by a teacher closer to the excursion date.
- Students will need to bring a packed lunch and morning tea for Monday.
- **Please ensure students have warm bedding as it does get extremely cold of a night and it is better to have too much bedding rather than not enough.**
- Students exhibiting poor behaviour leading up to the camp may be withdrawn from the excursion.

The following is information provided to us by The Great Aussie Bush Camp:

- The Great Aussie Bush Camp is one of NSW largest, privately owned Outdoor Ed. Providers. We run programs for students from Year 1 to Year 12 adjusting the content, and the challenge to meet the needs and abilities of every individual. We have a strict policy of 'challenge by choice', ie. Everyone is encouraged to give it their best, but no-one is forced to do anything.
- Our staff are of the highest quality. All are young and enthusiastic, fully qualified to run all activities, as well as being first aid and resuscitation trained. Although challenge and enjoyment are of great importance to all of our programs, safety is our first priority and we maintain a high record of safety. For this reason it is absolutely necessary that you read and consent to the guidelines outlined herein. To ensure that safety and enjoyment of all involved, any student putting themselves or their peers at risk of injury through a breach of these guidelines will be required to be picked up and returned home.
- Our facilities differ from site to site, however all accommodations, amenities and associated facilities are clean, comfortable and well maintained. The programs are fully catered with an ample availability of nutritious and tasty food; special dietary requirements can be accommodated.
- We aim to provide students with valuable and enjoyable, lifetime experiences and hope that your child can be a part of our program. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to call us.

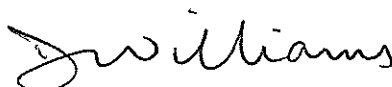
Attached is a Liability Release and Express Assumption of Risk form that we require to be completed and returned as soon as possible as well as a Guidelines and Gear Checklist.

Should you have any further queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

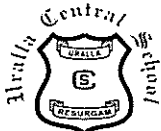
Yours faithfully



Tracey Jenner
Principal



Dan Williams
Assistant Principal



CONSENT AND MEDICAL FORM

Name: _____ Class: _____

Excursion: Year 5/6 Great Aussie Bush Camp Monday 19th – Thursday 22nd May, 2014

Unforeseen circumstances may arise which may necessitate the teacher making decisions in relation to student welfare without there being opportunity to refer to parents/carers.

As parents we therefore agree to abide by such decisions as the teacher at the time may make affecting our students. In particular, but without restricting the generality of this authority we authorise the teacher at their discretion:

- To authorise any medical surgical and/or hospitalisation treatment for our students.

It is understood that at all times during the excursion the Teacher in Charge of the students shall have the same rights of control and discipline as they would have if the student was at school.

We also understand that if at any time the student's behaviour is either deemed unacceptable or dangerous that we the parent/carer will be responsible for collecting the student from the excursion.

We understand that if any student shall in the opinion of the teacher be so unwell as to make it undesirable for them to continue the trip, it may be necessary for the parents to arrange to collect the student from the excursion.

Any expenditure incurred for any of the foregoing matters in relation to our student will be the sole responsibility of the parents to be dealt with separately from the cost of travel.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Carer)

Please complete the medical questions below and return the form to the class teacher.

1. Does your child suffer from any of the following:

- | | | | |
|------------------|--------|------------------------------|--------|
| a) Asthma | Yes/No | d) Skin Conditions | Yes/No |
| b) Diabetes | Yes/No | e) Epilepsy, fits, blackouts | Yes/No |
| c) Sleep Walking | Yes/No | f) Allergic Condition | Yes/No |

If yes, please provide full details:

2. Does your child have any other health condition which may affect her/his participation in the excursion?

Yes/No.

If yes, please provide full details.

3. Is she/he taking any medication at present? Yes/No.

If yes, please complete the following:

Name of medication: _____

Dosage/Times to be taken: _____

Reason/Condition: _____

4. Does your child have an allergic reaction to any type of medication or food? Yes/No.

If yes, please provide full details:

5. Doctor's Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

6. Your Medicare Number is required for your child to receive immediate medical attention if necessary. ***Parents/Carers: Please be aware if your child participates in Interstate or Territory Excursion and do not have appropriate health insurance cover, or are not covered by a Commonwealth Government Health Care Card, then you will be liable for the cost of an Ambulance in the event that one is required for your child as the schools Ambulance Cover does not extend to Interstate or Territory Excursions.***

Medicare Number _____

Health Care Number: _____

Private Insurance Health Fund: _____

7. For emergency contact:

Home

Work

Mother: _____ / _____

Father: _____ / _____

I give _____ permission to travel to The Great Aussie Bush Camp on
Monday 19th May to Thursday 22nd May 2014

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Consent/Activity Restrictions

Name of School: _____ School Year: _____

All activities are instructed by highly trained team members, your child's teachers are also always present at activities and free time.

Please peruse the activity list included. Activities are planned with the age and ability of the students involved in mind. Time constraints may prevent students being able to do every activity listed, however if there are any activities that your child is not permitted to participate in, for medical or personal reasons, please inform your child and give details:

I agree to my child / children _____ participating in all the activities at The Great Aussie Bush Camp.

I understand that although The Great Aussie Bush Camp and its service providers attempt to minimise any risk of personal injury to my child, there is an inherent risk of personal injury in the physical activities that will be undertaken as part of this program.

In the event of an emergency, and I am unable to be contacted, I authorise for my child to receive any medical treatment that is deemed necessary. I also undertake to cover any costs that may be incurred with any medical treatment received, ambulance transport and medication while my child is at The Great Aussie Bush Camp.

Full Name of Parent / Guardian: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Signature: _____

Media Consent

(Cross out whichever does not apply)

I agree / I do not agree to allow The Great Aussie Bush Camp to use any photographs, sound and / or film recordings taken of my child while they are at camp, for the promotion of this facility in the media and advertising programs.

Full Name of Parent / Guardian: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Signature: _____



Yr 5/6 Great Aussie Bush Camp Packing List

★ ★ ★ Please clearly label all items ★ ★ ★

Clothes

- Sensible walking shoes
- Sensible, warm pyjamas
- Enough clothes for 4 days (no singlet tops).....
- Enough underwear & socks for 4 days
- 1x set of warm clothes (jumper, long pants etc.).....
- 1x Raincoat (*compulsory*)
- 1x Sun hat (*compulsory*)

Toiletries

- Soap
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Deodorant.....
- Brush/comb
- Toothbrush & toothpaste
- Towel (for showers).....
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent.....

Activity Gear

- Sensible swimmers.....
- Rashie/swim shirt
- Beach towel.....
- Thongs/sandals (for showers and the beach).....
- An extra set of 'mud clothes'
(OLD shorts & shirt & an extra pair of old sneakers that can get muddy).....
- Several large garbage bags (for wet/dirty clothes)

Miscellaneous

- Backpack (*compulsory*)
- Water bottle (*compulsory*)
- Lunch Box (with packed lunch & recess for Day 1).....
- Mess Kit (tea towel, and non-disposable plate, cup, bowl, cutlery - all dishwasher safe)
- Pencil Case
- Torch.....
- Warm sleeping bag and blanket (NO swags) (*compulsory*)
- Pillow.....
- Camera (*optional*)
- Maximum of \$30 spending money (*optional*)

Not Permitted:

- Jewellery or valuable items
- Electronic equipment
(Including ipods/MP3s, mobile phones, Gameboys, hairdryers/straighteners etc.)

Note: These items will be confiscated and returned to parents in Uralla.