



17 May, 2023

YEAR 6 CANBERRA EXCURSION – INFORMATION UPDATE

Dear Families

We are so looking forward to our Year 6 excursion to Canberra. Staff members attending for the 3 days are: Abigail Sawyer, Ben Maytom (Teacher) and Carmel Millard (SLSO).

The itinerary of the main attractions is as follows:

Monday – Australian War Memorial, Parliament House

Tuesday – Questacon, Old Parliament House, Mount Ainslie

Wednesday – National Abortorium, National Capital Exhibition Centre

Year 6 will depart on the bus from Tanilba Bay Public School on **22nd May at 6:00am** and return to Tanilba Bay Public School on **24th May at approximately 6pm** (traffic allowing). **Students are to be at school no later than 5:30am** to allow ample time to pack the bus and leave on time.

Day back-pack

Students are to pack a bag for the bus which includes a refillable water bottle, school hat, lunch and snacks for the first day. Please don't supply children with lollies or gum. It is also recommended that students bring something to keep them warm and/or comfortable on the bus such as a jumper.

Money

Throughout the excursion there will be multiple opportunities to buy souvenirs such as at the Questacon gift shop. If you would like to provide your child with some money, we recommend between \$20-\$50 (nothing more). To ensure the money is safe, parents will be asked to hand this to the coordinating teachers at the beginning of the trip. Children will have access to that money at the appropriate times for souvenirs.

Luggage

Students should be able to manage their own luggage. A check list is provided to help you with ensuring your child has everything they need for the trip.

Mobile phones and technology

Mobile phones and other forms of technology are not permitted on the excursion. If you need to contact your child during the excursion, you are to call the school who will get in contact with the teachers, who will support them to make the call.

Cameras: Cameras are not necessary as staff will be taking photographs regularly, however disposable cameras are permitted. Please familiarise your child with those skills prior to the excursion should you choose to send one.

Behaviour

While on excursion and in all venues, students are expected to follow our School PBL values: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Friendly and Do Your Personal Best.

In Stage 3, our focus areas are particularly important. Those messages include:

- Follow instructions the first time
- Use respectful language
- Reject violence
- Challenge bullying

School Uniform Expectations

As you can appreciate, taking students to multiple venues to give them a range of experiences requires a great deal of organisation and planning. To assist with the smooth running of the excursion and transitions between venues, students are required to wear their school uniform each day. **Students should arrive at school on Monday wearing their school uniform** as we have an afternoon of activities before we head to the accommodation.

We are really looking forward to sharing this time with your children.

Kind regards

Abigail Sawyer
Proud Principal

