

Year 2 – Birrigai ‘passport to nature adventures’ program

Dear families

On Monday 9 August 2021 (week 5) children have the opportunity to attend a day trip to Birrigai Outdoor School. To align with geography learning in class relating to place and the students’ connection to place, children will be participating in an early childhood program aiming to connect them to nature through fun activities and unstructured play. There will be opportunities for children to further develop self esteem and social skills through hands on learning in a bush environment. Students will be empowered to manage their own risk in physical activities. Sessions include:

- Bush cooking
- Nature art
- Building bush shelters
- Nature scavenger hunts
- Walks
- Creek play
- Aboriginal plant use

Dates/time: Monday 9 August from 9:15am – 2:45pm

Transport: Chartered bus

Clothing and Equipment:

- Children are required to wear full school uniform and closed walking shoes.
- We strongly encourage families to pack a beanie / hat, jumper, warm coat so that children can be comfortable as they engage in outdoor learning.
- We ask that children bring recess, lunch and a water bottle.

Group Size: Approx 42 Year 2 children : 2 staff members

Accompanying teachers: Jessica Pickering and Emma Schremmer

Cost: \$45.00 (cost is including the program \$33.00 and the bus \$12.00)

Contingency: We may cancel or postpone the excursion if there are adverse weather conditions.

We welcome parent volunteers on the day. Due to the nature of this experience, we ask that younger siblings please not attend. Parents will be able to travel to and from Birrigai on the bus with the Year 2 cohort. Please email your child’s teacher if you are able to attend.

Behavioural expectations- Students are required to demonstrate our school values of excellence, innovation, sustainability, inclusion and support and show school expectations by being safe, respectful, responsible learners during this experience.

An excursion risk assessment has been prepared and is available on request.

We ask families to please return permission notes and payment to the front office by **Friday 6 August 2021**.

Staff accompanying students on excursions will take all reasonable care while the students are in their charge to protect them from injury and to control and supervise their behaviour and activities.

Parents should be aware that staff members are not responsible for injuries or damage to property which may occur on an excursion where, in all circumstances, staff have not been negligent. Parents should warn children of the risk to themselves, to others and to property, of impulsive, wilful or disobedient behaviour.

Kind Regards,

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Excursion Permission Note for Parents

I give permission for my child _____ to attend the **Farrer Primary School** excursion to **Birrigai on Monday 9 August 2021** travelling by **chartered bus** and other details as outlined in the Excursion Information for Parents.

I agree to my child participating in the activities associated with this excursion mentioned previously. I have discussed with my child the need for expected behaviour on this excursion. I authorise the school to make arrangements for the welfare of my child (including medical or surgical treatment) in an emergency and I agree to meet the associated costs. I have provided to the school all medical information relevant to my child attending this excursion.

I agree that my child will be under the authority of the school for the duration of the excursion and that the school is authorised to return my child to school or home at my expense if the school considers that circumstances warrant such action. I give permission for my child to travel by private car, driven by a staff member or parent, in an emergency.

The [Medical Information and consent](#) form only needs to be completed once/year prior to the first excursion unless there are changes to the details on this form. Are there any changes to this form?

Yes No

If yes, an updated *Medical Information and Consent Form* is required to be completed (available through the front office).

Will your child require medication to be administered during the excursion (e.g. allergy medication, pain relief)?

Yes No

If yes, please complete a *Medication Authorisation and Administration Record* (available through the front office).

Is there any additional information you need to provide to support your child's participation in this excursion?

Yes No

If yes, please provide these details

Please provide the following information:

Medicare No:		Private Health Fund:		Membership No	
Ambulance Fund: Parents are responsible for ambulance costs outside the ACT.					

Name of Parent/Carer: (please print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

In case of emergency

Contact person on the day: _____

Contact person's best phone number on the day: _____