



RIVERBANK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Taronga 'ZooSnooz' Excursion

Dear Parents/Carers,

A one-night Taronga Zoo camp has been organised for Year 4. The Taronga Zoo 'ZooSnooz' program is a fantastic opportunity for our students to interact with animals from around the world. For many, it is also an important event in their overall development as it may be their first time away from home. It is expected that all students attend. If your child is not attending, please advise Assistant Principal Mrs Beard via email (Jessica.beard5@det.nsw.edu.au) or call 9626 7511 by Friday 25 June 2021.

The program includes an animal meet and greet where our hosts introduce special animal ambassadors and their unique features and habitats. Students will sleep in the 'Tent and Backyard to Bush House' accommodation. The following day, students will spend the day exploring the zoo and then return to school by 2:45pm. **Riverbank Public School teachers will supervise students throughout the excursion/camp.**

On the morning of your child's camp, students are to meet their teacher in the school hall at 8:45am with their overnight bag including lunch, afternoon tea and morning tea for Day 1. Day 2 lunch will be provided as part of the final cost. Children are to wear suitable mufti clothes and sandals.

The total cost for this overnight excursion is **\$145**. This cost includes travel to and from the zoo in high-capacity coaches, food, tours, accommodation and entry into the zoo. Details of the excursion are as follows:

<u>WHEN:</u>	<i>Monday 6 September:</i> Classes – 4J, 4C and 4S (<i>departing mid-afternoon from school</i>). Students will return on Tuesday 7 September by 2:45pm. <i>Tuesday 7 September:</i> Classes - 4L, 4E and 4D (<i>departing mid-afternoon from school</i>). Students will return on Wednesday 8 September by 2:45pm. <i>Wednesday 8 September:</i> Classes - 4B, 4A and 4M (<i>departing mid-afternoon from school</i>). Students will return on Thursday 8 September by 2:45pm.
<u>WHERE:</u>	Taronga Zoo
<u>WHAT TO WEAR:</u>	Mufti clothes
<u>HOW:</u>	Transport is by coach
<u>COST:</u>	\$145 per student

You may elect to pay in instalments as set out on the following page or pay the amount in full. **Initial instalment needs to be made by Friday 11 June 2021. Please return the completed forms on pages 3-6 to your child's teacher by Friday 25 June 2021.**

Payments can be made online (preferred option) or cash in a clearly labelled envelope with the student's name, class and event. No refunds will be given.

Ms Jessica Beard
Year 4 Assistant Principal

Mrs Jeanie Brown
Principal



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Example Timetable

Mid-afternoon: Arrive at Taronga Zoo; meet your hosts, luggage arrangements, walk to accommodation location

6:00pm: Formal introduction, orientation and icebreakers

6:30pm: Dinner (provided)

7:00pm: Animal encounters – look, touch and ask questions!

7:45pm: Night Safari walking tour – see the zoo after dark

9:00pm: Set up for bed

9:30pm: Lights Out

6:00am: Rise and Shine

6:30am: Breakfast time (muffins, cereal and juice)

8:00am: A special 'Meet a Keeper' experience

8:30am: Morning walk to see the Zoo waking up

9:00am: Animal encounters – look, touch and ask questions!

9.30am: Walking to zoo entrance to begin day excursion

12.00pm: Lunch (provided)

1.00pm: Depart Taronga Zoo

2.00pm: Arrive at Riverbank Public School

In a small bag, please bring

- a sleeping bag
- pillow
- toothbrush/toiletries
- pyjamas
- weather appropriate mufti clothing such as raincoat and warm layers
- joggers
- **(optional) disposable camera**

In a day pack, please bring

- water bottle
- hat
- sunscreen
- snacks for both afternoon tea as well as morning tea

What NOT To Bring

- digital cameras
- mobile phones
- school bag
- electronic devices
- money
- there is no need to bring a towel as there are no shower facilities available
- lollies/chewing gum

Year 4 Taronga Zoo Overnight Excursion

Initial deposit:	\$65 due by	11 June 2021	<input type="checkbox"/>
Instalment 1:	\$40 due by	24 June 2021	<input type="checkbox"/>
Final instalment:	\$40 due by	23 July 2021	<input type="checkbox"/>



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**PLEASE RETURN MEDICAL
AND DIETARY FORMS BY:**

Friday 25 June 2021

Student Name: _____

Class: _____

CATERING FOR LUNCHES:

For lunch on day 2, students will receive an individual lunch pack with a sandwich, a piece of fruit and a juice box.

Please indicate your sandwich selection below by ticking the corresponding box:

- Ham and cheese sandwich
- Egg, lettuce and mayo sandwich
- Cheese sandwich
- Cheese sandwich on **gluten friendly bread**
- Dairy friendly** sandwich – Chef's Selection

MEDICAL AND DIETARY INFORMATION:

This information helps our hosts and caterers better prepare for your visit and provide all students with a memorable experience. Please provide as much detail as possible.

Vegetarian/ Vegan	Coeliac/ Gluten free	Dairy/ Lactose allergy	Halal	Anaphylaxis-specify which allergens trigger reaction	Nut Allergy- specify types of nuts or seeds	Other Dietary Needs



Overnight Excursion Code of Conduct

'ZooSnooz' and Next Day Excursion Guidelines and Rules

Students should be aware of these Guidelines:

- Stay with your designated teacher during all walking parts of the excursion
- Listen to and follow teacher and guide's directions
- Closed in shoes and hats should be worn at all times
- Food and drink are to be consumed outside the accommodation provided
- Respect others after lights out by staying in your accommodation and using low voices
- Each group is responsible for the ongoing cleanliness of the room/tent
- As a general rule, students will not be removed from activities as a consequence. They may be given 5 minutes to reflect on their choices of behaviour, impact this may have on themselves or others and discuss strategies they can use moving forward.
- We may exclude students whose behaviour could result in serious danger or distress to themselves or others. In extreme cases, after consultation with teachers, the parents/carers may be contacted and the student/s will be sent home.

Child's Signature: _____

Parent's/Carer's Signature: _____

Child's Printed Name: _____

Class: _____



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Medication & Consent Form

YEAR 4 'ZooSnooz'

Student's Surname: _____	Given Names: _____
Date of Birth: _____	Year Level _____
Parent's name: _____	
Telephone: _____	Work Telephone: _____

<i>Please Complete Details Below</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>	<i>Details/Treatment</i>
<i>Asthma, Sinus, Hayfever/Other</i>		
<i>Allergies (food, penicillin, analgesics)</i>		
<i>Recent operations, illness, injury</i>		
<i>Injections, and when given</i>		
<i>Epilepsy</i>		
<i>Phobias</i>		
<i>Bed Wetting/Sleep walking</i>		
<i>Physical Disabilities</i>		
<i>Other</i>		
<i>Is medication required while at excursion? (Give details on reverse side of form)</i>		



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Can we give your child Panadol (per age instructions on packet)? Yes No

("Panadol or associated medication" supplied by parent CANNOT be administered by staff without Labelled Medication by a Chemist)

DETAILS OF MEDICATIONS REQUIRED WHILE AT CAMP	
<i>(Please indicate times as am or pm after meals, before bed eg. 8.00pm etc. Normal medication times during camp are breakfast, lunch, dinner and supper).</i>	
<u>MEDICATION</u>	<u>DOSAGE AND TIME</u>
<i>These details should match details attached to the medications sent on the 'ZooSnooz' excursion</i>	
<i>I will supply my child's Medication from home</i>	YES / NO
<i>My child will take his/her Medication which is kept at school</i>	YES / NO

Is there any reason why your child **may be unable to** participate in any excursion activities to be undertaken at the excursion? Please circle YES NO

If yes, please comment: _____

I am aware of the program and type of activities that my child shall be participating in, and hereby give consent for my child, named on this form, to attend camp.

In the event of illness or injury, I give permission for medical assistance to be sought.

Name: _____



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Signature: _____

Date: _____