



20th April, 2021

STAGE 3 – MILSON ISLAND EXCURSION Final Note

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This is the final note for our Stage 3 camp at Milson Island Sport and Recreation Centre. On Monday, 3rd May, we will travel by coach to Brooklyn on the Hawkesbury River, then by ferry to Milson Island. Over the five days the students will be engaged in a wonderful array of activities with an emphasis on developing a positive self-esteem, team work, an understanding of sustainable living, survival skills and our responsibility to protect the environment. This note has been designed to help you prepare your child (and you) for a stress free experience. If you have a specific query that is not covered here please contact your child's teacher.

IMPORTANT:

Some students are still unregistered. Please note that if this is your child/ren, you are required to complete a Medical and Consent Form in order to attend camp. Unregistered students are holding up final cabin and activity group allocations.

The information that Sport and Recreation needs about your child includes:

- medical conditions
- food related allergies
- special diets
- medication
- emergency contact details
- media consent

Sport and Recreation needs you to complete this form on behalf of your child. The form is available online and is easy to complete. Once you submit the form the information is sent to the Centre so the staff can prepare for your child's visit.

Please complete the Medical and Consent Form at: **LINK CLOSES 22/04/2021 (Child cannot attend without this online consent)**
<https://officeofsport.ungerboeck.com/prod/emc00/register.aspx?eid=VWZoSjZJV21qUjhTTXIGZ3hEb2h4QT090>

Please also note that the preferred web browser for Milson Island registrations is Chrome. **YOU CAN CLICK ON THE LINK VIA THE NOTE ON OUR WEBSITE OR ON SCHOOL E-NEWS**

It is vital that you enter the following details to complete the online form as soon as possible.

Booking Number: **8768**
Booking Start Date: **03/05/2021**
Booking Venue: **Milson Island Sport and Recreation Centre**

Departure:

Students are to meet their teacher under the Big Top at **6.45am** on Monday, 3rd May:

- 5/6H – meet Mrs Hawkins
- 5/6P – meet Miss Parker
- 5/6S – meet Mr Cleary and Mrs Curzon. Mr Cleary is attending camp on behalf of Mr Smith who is unable to attend.

Parents are to observe COVID safe practices when entering the school with the students.

Arrival:

We depart Milson Island at 1pm on Friday, 7th May and should return to school at approximately 3.00pm.

Medication:

All medications need to be administered (apart from asthma puffers) under teacher supervision. Please ensure that medication is handed to your child's supervising teacher on the morning of the excursion in a **clear, sealable bag with name, class and dosage / administration instructions clearly printed on the front.**

Cost:

The full cost of the excursion of **\$550 is now due.** This covers all meals, transport, accommodation and activities. We thank you for adhering to the payment schedule below. It is very much appreciated that you pay any outstanding amounts in line with the payment schedule. Please disregard the schedule if you have paid in full.

By 19 Feb - \$150 deposit

By 5 Mar - \$150

By 19 Mar - \$100

By 1 April - \$75

By 20 April - \$75

Full Payment of \$550 is now
overdue if not already paid

Accommodation:

Students stay in comfortable rooms or lodges with male and female students accommodated separately. At least one visiting teacher will stay in a room nearby and will be responsible for student safety and behaviour.

Linen/Pillows

Please advise that **students must bring their own linen and pillows to camp** as they have removed these from the current service offerings to ensure the highest possible hygiene standards.

Outdoor safety:

Every effort is made to ensure your child's safety and comfort while at camp. Our SunSmart policy promotes wearing broad-brimmed hats and sunscreen and we minimise sun exposure during the hottest part of the day. Personal flotation devices (life jackets) are supplied by the Centre. Covered shoes must be worn when participating in all boating activities.

Staying in touch during camp:

While at camp, you can send your child a message by fax or by using the contact form on this website. Clearly mark your child's name and school on all correspondence. We do not encourage children to phone home as this can contribute to homesickness.

Bed wetting:

If your child is prone to bed wetting, please advise the school or Centre staff in advance so staff can deal with the situation in a discreet and caring manner. If required, please provide a waterproof mattress protector.

Luggage:

Luggage should be limited to one bag equivalent in size to airline 'carry on' luggage with maximum weight of 10kg and a separate sleeping bag, plus a small backpack per child. Remember, your child will be required to carry their luggage so it is essential to make sure it is not too big or heavy.

What to pack:

Please label the following items with your child's name:

- Shorts and t-shirts (no singlets, sleeveless or midriff tops)
- Jumpers and tracksuit pants
- Socks and underwear
- Raincoat
- Warm jacket
- Three layers of warm clothing
- Pyjamas
- Swimming costume and rashie shirt
- Sunscreen, sun hat and sunglasses

- Two pairs of running shoes (one old pair to wear in the water)
- Toiletries, soap, lip balm and insect repellent (no aerosols)
- Two towels
- Pillow, sleeping bag or doona and two single flat sheets
- Day backpack
- Paper, pens or pencils
- Plastic bags for dirty or wet clothes
- Medication (if required)
- Handkerchief or tissues
- Water bottle
- Camera (optional)

What NOT to pack:

- Aerosol cans (i.e. spray-on deodorant or insect repellent)
- Mobile phones and other electronic devices – these will be confiscated even if to be used to take photos.
- Lollies or chewing gum
- Jewellery
- Anything valuable

Behaviour:

For everyone’s enjoyment and safety on the excursion, we expect an excellent standard of behaviour. Children who persistently ignore reasonable requests or engage in inappropriate behaviour will be removed from the excursion and their parent/caregiver will need to come and collect them. If this happens, we will phone you or a nominated contact person to make arrangements for your child to be taken home.

We trust this will be an enjoyable experience for your child. Thank you for your cooperation.

Kind regards,

Cheryle Hawkins
Rel. Assistant Principal

Carol Frith
Principal

Payment Slip: return to office

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Student Name: _____ **Class:** _____ **Date:** ____ / ____ / ____

I have paid online via the school website and my receipt number is: _____

I have enclosed cash in an envelope with the signed permission note