Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 6 Excursion to Canberra is not far away. As such, please take the time to read and respond to the following important information.

**Cost and Payments**

In Term one, we requested a $50.00 deposit as confirmation of your child's participation in the excursion. Thank you to all who have paid this deposit. Numbers need to be finalised now. If you are experiencing difficulty meeting the cost of this excursion, we ask you to please make an appointment to see Mr Lendvai immediately so that we can ensure that your child does not miss out on this fantastic opportunity.

Our final cost is $205.00. As a deposit of $50.00 has already paid, **the balance owing is $155.00**.

This final cost includes a $20.00 Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) paid by the Commonwealth Government to students who visit Canberra on school excursions. You are able to pay the balance in instalments or as a lump sum. **The final date for payment is Monday 9 June.**

**Itinerary**

The itinerary for the Year 6 excursion to Canberra has been finalised. Please find attached the itinerary for your information.

- **Students must be at school on Thursday 19 June at 6:30 am.** The excursion operates to a tight schedule and we cannot wait for students who are late.

- **Students will return to school at approximately 7:00 pm on Friday 20 June.** Please be at school ready to collect your child. We will notify parents via Facebook, Twitter and our Skoolbag app if we are delayed or run early.

**Permission**

Please find attached an Overnight Excursion Permission Form. This needs to be completed and returned to school by **Friday 16 May**. We need to know of any food allergies and dietary requirements now so that we can advise the tour company to make all the necessary arrangements for your child.

**Medication**

If you child will require medication whilst on the excursion, please note that **it must be handed to the teachers on the morning of the excursion, clearly labelled with specific instructions regarding administration of medication.** Prescription medication should be provided in its original packaging, with the prescription label from the chemist attached.

All medication should be in a sealed bag and needs to be clearly labelled with:

1. Name of Child
2. When the medication is to be taken
3. Dosage of medication
4. Signature of parent/guardian
What to Bring

Clothes in an overnight bag:

One set of clothes plus spare set that should include the following:
- Jumpers
- Pants (jeans or track pants)
- Parka or a very warm jacket
- Socks
- Beanie/hat
- Scarf
- Walking Shoes
- Underwear
- Pyjamas
- Gloves and Sun glasses (optional)

NB. Average maximum temperature in Canberra will be 12 degrees.
Please label all items of clothing to prevent loss.
Please keep bag size down to as small a bag as you can.
Please pack 2 plastic bags for dirty clothes.

Toiletries

- Bath towel
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Soap
- Comb/brush
- Hair accessories
- Face washer
- Deodorant (no aerosol cans are to be taken to camp)

A back pack/day bag in which they will have everything they need for Thursday. This will be the only bag students will have access to until we reach our accommodation on Thursday evening. This bag should include:

- Recess for Thursday
- Lunch for Thursday
- Drinks and snacks for Thursday
- No more than 1 packet of lollies per student.

Food is not to be eaten on the bus.

Other Items

- A small amount of money will be needed for dinner on the way home. There will only be a few small windows of time to buy souvenirs so no more than $20 should be brought.
- Cameras can be brought.
- All items brought by children are their responsibility. They should be clearly labelled.
- Students are not to bring mobile phones, MP3 players or tablet devices.

As the excursion draws closer we will send another note with any final details.

Kind regards,

Deepa Francis and Robert Barden
Year 6 Teachers

Attila Lendvai
Principal