



CRAIGBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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YEAR 7 CANBERRA CAMP 5TH -9TH JUNE 2016

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We hope you and your child are getting as excited about Canberra Camp next term as we are. As this date is fast approaching we have included some information that will help your child to be organised and well prepared for this trip.

A reminder that the 4th and final camp payment is due on 31st May 2016. If you are having difficulty paying the balance of your account, please contact the school a.s.a.p.

The following information will assist you with the final preparations.

Some General Information:

- Students are to wear their Craigburn school uniform (ie. school shirt and jumper, Navy track pants/shorts) to the airport on the 5th June 2016.
- Ensure students have their backpacks with snacks and water bottle with them for the trip. Remember that this will be their carry-on luggage so ensure that no prohibited items are packed within it (e.g. deodorant cans), as they may be confiscated by airport staff. Water bottles will need to be empty to go through security and can be filled up later.
- If your son/daughter is prone to travel sickness please ensure that they take some precautionary medication before leaving.
- Please ensure that all property is clearly marked and that baggage has identification tags and a clearly distinguishing feature (e.g. coloured ribbon, bag tag) for baggage claim.
- Medication that is normally kept at school (i.e. Epi pens, asthma packs) will be packed into a school medical bag. Any other Medication required during the trip is to be handed to Mrs. Reid at the airport, prior to travel. Please ensure you have it in a zip lock bag with detailed written instructions and your child's name on it.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Departure Day: We will meet near the check-in counters (to the right of the escalator) as a whole group at 9am where student ID cards will be handed out and we will check-in altogether. Please note that students are allocated their seats based on alphabetical order and we have no control over this. Once we have all checked in, we will go through security as a group. Parents and family members can say goodbye then if you wish or you are more than welcome to follow us through and accompany us down to the departure gate to say your goodbyes.

Evening Arrival Home: We would love for you to meet us at the arrival gate to accompany your child down to the baggage collection. Once you have collected the baggage we ask that you please let one of the teachers on camp know that you are now taking your child, as we will be checking off each student to ensure their safety.

Sunday 5th June 2016

9am - Meet at Adelaide Airport Check in counters

9:30 pm - Finalise tickets and move through security screening.

11.00am - Depart for Sydney on Virgin Flight VA417

Thursday 9th June 2016

8.10 pm - Depart Sydney on Virgin Flight VA444

9.50 pm - Arrive at Adelaide Airport

STAFFING

The teachers attending camp will be Mrs Hazel Robertson, Miss Andrea Grant, Mr Rob Warncken, Mrs Heather Reid and Mr Greg Cox (Ascot Park Primary). We will also have Tracy Oxtton and Sally Asencion as parent helpers.

This year, we welcome six students from Ascot Park Primary on our trip along with their Principal, Greg Cox. This is an exciting opportunity for them as they are a much smaller school and they wouldn't have the chance to go to Canberra on their own. We are excited to have them 'on board' and welcome them in all our activities.

BAGGAGE LIMITS

Virgin has baggage limits in place for all domestic travel. Please ensure that your child has only one suitcase/bag and that its weight does not exceed 23kg. Any baggage in excess of this will be charged at the applicable excess baggage rate. Carry on Baggage can be up to 7kg. Please check the Virgin website if you need any further details regarding what can and can't be carried in carry on luggage.

LINEN

We have been informed by the accommodation provider (A.I.S.) that each student will have two flat sheets, one pillow case, one pillow, one towel and one quilt. Students will need to make their own bed when they arrive. Should your child wish to bring their own towel or pillow, they are welcome to pack it in with their checked luggage.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

If there is an emergency at home your child can be contacted by calling the school mobile on 0432 141 553. This phone will be carried by a teacher at all times.

CONTACT WITH HOME

Mobile phones, including camera phones, are not permitted on camp unless the SIM card has been removed. In the highly unlikely event that your child is involved in an accident or emergency, you can be assured that you will be notified immediately. We will be posting regular group updates on our school's Facebook Page where you can keep up to date with what is happening each day. As per our school Cyber Safety policy, students will not be able to post images to personal social networking or messaging sites.

SPENDING MONEY

Students are allowed to bring money to spend at various attractions if they wish (approximately \$50 in cash. NO ATM cards). However, they do so at their own risk! We appreciate your support to ensure your child respects the rules. Please ensure your child keeps their money with them during the travel legs of the journey eg. in their carry on luggage.

BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

We have very clear expectations of students representing our school within the community. Inappropriate behaviour will not be tolerated and reasonable consequences will be delivered for breaches of these expectations. This may include withdrawal from activities if this is deemed necessary. Our full School Code of Behaviour is available on our website and the same expectations are adhered to on camp.

WEATHER

We encourage you to be checking the minimum and maximum temperature in Canberra. In the past we have found it to be incredibly cold, especially over-night and first thing in the morning. Having clothes to layer under uniforms, a warm jacket and plenty of warm socks will help to combat the chill factor.

If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch with us either by phoning the school, dropping in or indicating it on the return slip below. Once again, thank you for your support of what will be a terrific camp!

Yours in education,

Hazel Robertson, Andrea Grant and Rob Warncken
Canberra Camp Teaching Team

Please return this slip to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Student Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

I/we _____ have read the camp information and at this stage have no questions or information to pass on.

Signature: _____

I/we _____ have read the camp information and have a question and/or information to pass on.

Please contact (*your name*) _____

on (*phone number or email*) _____

Please indicate your question or the nature of your query to ensure we have the right information when we contact you. Thank you. ☺

Signature: _____

CANBERRA CAMP PERSONAL BELONGINGS
ESSENTIAL PACKING LIST

Please ask your child to take responsibility for packing their own bag for camp, labeling their equipment and purchasing any items they need to accompany them e.g. toiletries. This process is a valuable part of camp preparation. A checklist follows, which your child can tick off as they pack each item.

Children will need:

CHECKED LUGGAGE:

- School uniform
- One pair of walking shoes (Other shoes for around cabin areas and casual activities)
- 3 pairs of long pants/ jeans
- 5 T-shirts with sleeves (we would recommend at least one with long sleeves)
- Jumpers (one or two)
- Underwear (this may include singlet's if you feel the cold)
- Pyjamas
- Socks – bed socks and day socks
- Raincoat/Jacket (a nice warm one)
- Soap
- Toothpaste & brush
- Deodorant – roll on only
- Shampoo/Conditioner & hair brush/comb
- Plastic bag for dirty clothes (optional)
- Small Torch (optional)
- Pillow and/or towel (optional)

CARRY ON LUGGAGE:

- Small back pack to take on the bus and plane and to use around Canberra containing the following:
- Water Bottle
- Small packet of tissues / lip balm
- A packed lunch and morning tea for the first day eg. sandwich, drink, snack
- Some lollies for the plane
- Wallet with no more than \$50

Optional Items: (To be brought at your own risk and responsibility.)

- Camera – If your camera is also a phone you will need to make sure you have removed the SIM card prior to your arrival at the airport.
- iPod and charger / Nintendo DS (no inappropriately rated games) etc.