

GET TO THE POINT- GRADES 6J, 6L AND 6OT POINT NEPEAN NATIONAL PARK EXCURSION WEDNESDAY, 23RD MARCH, 2022



22nd February, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Year 6 students have been developing their team building skills and focusing on the qualities it takes to work as an effective team. As part of this process, the students have been placed into random teams, have identified individual strengths, as well as the qualities each member can contribute to help make their team successful. Our ultimate goal is a challenge at Point Nepean National Park on the Mornington Peninsula on Wednesday, 23rd March. The teams will work together exploring the historical significance of the area and overcoming challenges as a team along the way.

The teams will explore Fort Nepean, the Quarantine Station and take the 1.8km Range Area Walk which meanders through coastal scrub, a former Rifle Range and passes Monash Break and Light.

The students will examine the importance of working with a range of people towards a common goal and on the day of the excursion, they will advance along the tracks in teams of 7 or 8 and complete a series of tasks making sure to arrive at the end with their entire team. Prior to the challenge we are walking to the **Moorooduc Quarry, on Thursday, 3**rd **March**, as a rehearsal for the big day. The experience is a challenge, but one that is within the reach of all students. We are also looking for volunteers for this day - details were sent via teacher email (same conditions as below).

We also need a group of parents to get involved on the day of the excursion to Point Nepean. The volunteers must have a current Working With Children Check (WWC) and have received three doses of a COVID-19 vaccine. It will be necessary to show evidence of their vaccination status and WWC at the office. The WWC check is free for volunteers. https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/individuals/applicants/how-to-apply-1

Parents will head along the track prior to the students, who will leave at staggered times in their groups. The parents will be positioned along the track and given tokens that each group must collect along the way. This will ensure safety and that groups are sticking together. This is a terrific opportunity to get involved and we really encourage your participation.

Please fill in the form if you are available to assist us on Wednesday, 23rd March for our Point Nepean excursion. Feel free to contact your child's classroom teacher to clarify anything you are unsure of.

We will be travelling by bus, leaving at 9:00am sharp and will return to school by 3.00pm. The cost of this excursion (covered by the excursion levy) is \$26:00. The payment and form are due back by Wednesday, 16th March, 2022. No late payment or forms can be accepted.

Students will be required to wear school uniform, comfortable walking shoes and bring the following:

- * a small back pack containing appropriate weather protection
- * school sunhat
- snacks, lunch and a water bottle
- * any equipment they may require for 'their role' within the team

Thank you,



JAVETTE WESTLAKE, CATHY O'TOOLE AND PHIL LEONARD

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GUIDELINES

Student Behaviour

'I understand that in the event of my child's misbehaviour or behaviour that poses a danger to himself/herself or others during the excursion, he/she may be sent home. I further understand that in such circumstances I will be informed and that any costs associated with his/her return will be my responsibility.'

Student Illness

'I understand that in the event excursion staff determine it is necessary for my child to be sent home early due to illness, any costs associated with his/her return will be my responsibility.'

Cancellations or alterations

'I understand that the Principal may need to cancel or alter excursion arrangements at short notice, for safety reasons or due to circumstances beyond the control of the school, and while the Principal will try to minimise inconvenience or financial losses to parents, these may be unavoidable.'

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YOU WILL TRAVEL UP ON THE BUS WITH US - OR CAN DRIVE YOURSELF IF YOU WOULD PREFER

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