

21 March 2024

**Excursion Information for Parents****Kindergarten National Zoo & Aquarium Excursion**

Dear parents and carers,

The following details relate to an educational excursion to the National Zoo & Aquarium which is being organised for Kindergarten.

**Dates/time:** Tuesday, 7 May 2024 9:15 AM-1:15 PM

**Purpose of excursion:** We will be beginning a new inquiry unit, "How are living things connected?" in term 2. This excursion will allow students to begin discovering information about living and non living things to contribute to their learning in inquiry, as well as the purpose of zoos and how animals interact with their environments.

**Activities:** Students will participate in a 1 hour guided session, "Is it Alive?", where they will explore the characteristics, needs and uses of living things by inquiring about their noticeable features. Students will meet one of the zoo's friendly reptiles and compare their needs with other animals in the zoo.

**Clothing and Equipment:** Backpack with packed lunch, drink bottle, hat

**Transport:** Bus

**Excursion Organiser/Leader:** Brooke Sedgmen

**Assistant Leaders:** Dale Larsen, Wendy Driver

**Cost:** \$27.00

*The school has made every effort to keep cost for this excursion at a minimum level. If necessary, parents or students can confidentially discuss support to meet the cost of the excursion with the Principal. Please contact the front office if you would like to speak with the Principal.*

**\*Please note the cost of the bus component does not get refunded if the child does not attend.**

**Notes and money to Duffy Primary School front office by: Friday, 12 April 2024**

**Excursion Risk Assessment:** Available at the front office

**Contingency:** In the case of wet weather, the excursion will still go ahead as planned.

**Behavioural expectations:** Students are expected to demonstrate our school values of being **Respectful**, **Responsible** and **Inclusive** at all times during this excursion.

**What to pack/bring:**

- Backpack with packed lunch, drink bottle, hat

Staff accompanying students on excursions will take all reasonable care while the students are in their charge to protect them from injury and to control and supervise their behaviour and activities.

Parents should be aware that staff members are not responsible for injuries or damage to property which may occur on an excursion where, in all circumstances, staff have not been negligent. Parents should warn children of the risk to themselves, to others and to property, of impulsive, wilful or disobedient behaviour.

Kind Regards,

Brooke Sedgmen, Dale Larsen & Wendy Driver

Kindergarten Teachers