

WALLACIA PUBLIC SCHOOL 1573-1585 MULGOA ROAD WALLACIA NSW 2745

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Principal: Mr Trev Mason

Wednesday 14th February 2018

Excursion to Bathurst Goldfields

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As part of the Stage 3 History curriculum, which treats aspects of the early settlement of NSW and the impact of the discovery of gold on the colony, we will be visiting Bathurst Goldfields at Mt Panorama for a daytrip. Wallacia students will join students from Mulgoa, Luddenham and Orchard Hills Public Schools.

The excursion will be on Friday 18th May 2018 (Term 2 Week 3). Travel will be by coach; we will depart from Mulgoa Public School at 7.15am and will not return to Mulgoa Public School until approximately 6pm that evening.

It will be a long day but there is great value to be gained from the interactive activities. Students will complete a tour that is based on 'Life in Colonial Australia'. The tour includes the history and explanations of the methods and machinery used to mine the gold. Students will interact with personalities from the past including a teacher in an 1800's school house, a genuine blacksmith, a baker and a family who are struggling to survive in the harsh Australian environment. They will participate in building mud bricks, cooking damper and playing bush games. Students will pan for gold and can keep any gold pieces they find.

On our return journey we will stop at Mt York which is on the edge of the ridge where Blaxland, Lawson and Wentworth realised they had crossed the Blue Mountains.

The costing will be approximately \$55 per student. This amount will be confirmed when all students have paid the deposit. The excursion should not cost more than this amount.

I would appreciate if you could indicate your interest in this trip below. To secure your child's place for this excursion, we are asking that a non-refundable deposit of \$20 be paid by Wednesday 28th February 2018. The tour and bus company requires student numbers attending and their deposit by this date.

We hope that all our students will participate in this excursion. Please see me if you have any concerns or queries. We look forward to sharing this experience with your child.

Mr Rush 5/6 Teacher





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Student's Name:		
I give permission for my child	_ to attend	the
O Enclosed is the \$20 non-refundable deposit for the excursion. I understand from the Bathurst Gold Fields will be by coach.	that travel to	and
O I have made an online payment of \$20. My receipt number is E	Date paid	
OR		
My daughter/son will not be attending the 5/6 excursion to the Bathurst Goldfi	elds.	
Signed: Date		

Please return this slip to the office as soon as possible.

