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Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017

## 2017 CATCHMENT TOUR

Dear Parents / Carers of Students in 6,

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017 (Wk 9), Year 6 have been invited to attend a catchment tour program offered by Penrith City Council with Luddenham Public School. The excursion is free as the Council will cover the bus transport costs. If spots are not filled, it will be opened to some Year 5.

The catchment tour has been developed to engage local students on water quality issues, teaching about the impact we have on our waterways through stormwater pollution, and introducing the concept of a catchment to the students. The tour aims to address specific learning outcomes of the curriculum and includes:

- Educational activities hosted by Water NSW at Warragamba Dam, including going onto the dam itself.
- An inspection of a Gross Pollutant Trap (GPT) in Penrith which visually shows the type of pollution making its way through the stormwater system.
- A visit to a local creek reserve where the students 'get their hands dirty' by planting native trees.

It's a great day out of the classroom where students get the opportunity to learn about the environment in a fun and interactive way while becoming more aware of water pollution issues. Better yet it is a fully funded excursion and there is no cost involved. We will be departing school at **9am and returning to school prior to 3pm**. Students will be expected to be in full school uniform, including a school hat and school shoes. Recess and lunch will need to be brought to school in a small backpack and students must have a water bottle.

Could you please fill in and sign the permission slip below and return it to the office by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

Kind Regards,

Fiona Tritton  
Class Teacher

Mr Trev Mason  
Principal

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I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class 5/6 to attend the Catchment Tour on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

I understand that travel to and from each venue will be by bus.

The medical needs of my child are:

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Signature of Parent/Carer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_