Melbourne Zoo Excursion
Thursday the 28th of May 2015

Dear Parents,
As part of Term 2’s Integrated Unit Wildlife Warriors the Prep Department will be launching this unit with an excursion to the Melbourne Zoo on Thursday the 28th of May 2015.

The children will participate in the program;
Habitat Detectives

This program enables children to transform into detectives, where they will use their senses to explore the world around them searching for clues in local habitats and discovering which animals are living nearby.

Through a facilitated workshop, students will investigate what animals need to survive, ranging from their food, water, shelter and family structure along with considering the features they have to be able to get all of these things.

The cost of the excursion is $28.00 (This will be the only excursion for Term Two)

The permission note and money are due back at school by Monday the 18th of May.

Children will need to be at school by 8:45am, as the buses leave promptly at 9:00am. The buses will take us directly to and pick us up from the Melbourne Zoo doors.

Full uniform will need to be worn on the day.

Parent Helpers:
If you are interested in assisting your child’s class with this excursion, please complete the expression of interest section on the permission note. All parent helpers will need to have a current Working with Children Check to attend. We are limited in the amount of adults who may attend. Each classroom is limited to two parent helpers. Each classroom teacher will place all expressions of interest in a hat and draw two parent names, to ensure selection is fair. Parent Helpers will travel on the buses with their child’s grade. It is their responsibility to assist the classroom teacher, monitor the children, escort them to and from the buses & toilets, and participate in the Zoo’s activities as well as being our extra set of eyes.

Thank you,
Melissa, Christina, Jess and Joanne
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I give permission for my child

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**I have enclosed $____________ for the cost of the excursion.**

I authorise the teacher in charge of the excursion to consent, where it is impractical to communicate with me, to my child receiving such medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary.

Please indicate if your child suffers from the following:-

- Allergy YES / NO
- Breathing disorder (Particularly Asthma) YES / NO
- Other relevant information

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Telephone Numbers: where you may be contacted on excursion day; Thursday the 28th of May.

**Home / Work: ................................ Mobile: .................................................................**

**Signature of Parent / Guardian: .................................................................................................**

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**Parent Helper:**

I, .......................................................................................................................... am interested in assisting with my child’s class with this excursion to Melbourne Aquarium.

I have a current Working with Children Check YES/ No

**Please note:**

The Parent Helper interest note must be returned to your child’s teacher by **Monday the 18th of May**.