Grade 5/6 Excursions Term 3
Wednesday, 21st September 2011

This term grade 5/6 students are investigating history and the way it influences who we are today. Linking with this topic, we are very excited to be able to offer some unique excursion opportunities to students in grades 5/6 this term.

We understand that over their time at school students have already experienced a range of different excursions and we wish to avoid doubling up on what the students have already seen. A large part of our philosophy is also about students being provided with and making choices about their learning, and see no reason why this shouldn't extend to excursions as well.

On the last Wednesday in term, Wednesday 21st September, we will be having an Excursion Day and offering three different excursions to choose from. There are limited places on the excursions due to transport costs and numbers and therefore will be offering places for each excursion on a first in, first choice system. There are different costs associated with each excursion and we understand this may influence your decision too. Each cost includes bus transport and entry to venues. The three excursions we will be offering are:

**OPTION ONE**
**SOVEREIGN HILL**

Students will leave Berwick Fields at 7:30am to travel to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat. Sovereign Hill is an outdoor museum designed to give students an insight into life on the Victorian goldfields in the 1850’s and the large role gold played in the development of Victoria. As a part of this excursion, students will be involved in a dress up role play at the museum to be fully immersed in the setting. We will return to school around 5:30pm.

There are only 53 places available for this excursion.

The cost is $40.

**OPTION TWO**
**CITY MUSEUMS**

Leaving Berwick Fields at 9am, students will visit the Melbourne Museum and city. At the Museum they will visit the ‘Melbourne Story’ exhibit and a session run by museum staff, to explore the way Melbourne has developed and changed over time. Students will also investigate city buildings and development completing parts of the ‘Golden Mile’ walk in the CBD.

There are only 53 places available for this excursion.

The cost is $15.

**OPTION THREE**
**BERWICK HISTORY**

Students will leave Berwick Fields at 9am and be taken by bus to Berwick Main Street where they will be led on a guided tour of the historical buildings located in and around the Main Street of Berwick and explore the way Berwick has developed over time.

Students will walk to Wilson Botanic Park for lunch before being bussed back to school.

This excursion has no charge.

In order to ensure there is enough interest for each excursion, we ask that you please return the below expression of interest form to school next week. Forms will be numbered in their order of return to Mr Mills. We will then send out more information, payments and permission forms for the three individual excursions. Please note that if money and forms are not returned by the due date, positions for that excursion will be offered to other students.

It is very exciting to be able to offer the students these unique excursion experiences that are so closely related to our classroom activities. We encourage all students to attend one of the excursions in order for them to be able to participate in classroom discussions and activities that follow the trips.

**Please do not return any money with this form.**
If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards,

PLT4 Teaching Team
Grade 5/6 Excursions Term 3 - Preferences

Child: 

Grade: 

Please order your preferences 1-3 of the excursions you would like your child to attend.

Sovereign Hill
Melbourne Museum and City
Berwick Excursion

I understand places on each trip are limited and will be allocated in the order forms are returned; and that places will be reoffered if permission forms and payment are not returned by the due date.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ___________________
(Parent/Guardian)