



## Stage 2 ZoosnooZ Taronga Western Plains Zoo Excursion Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Students from Year 3 & 4 are invited to participate in an excursion to Taronga Western Plains Zoo from Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2018. An itinerary is attached and provides an outline of the activities.

The total cost of the excursion will be between \$136- \$147 per student, based on the overall number of students who take part. **A compulsory, non-refundable deposit of \$40 must be paid by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May (Week 1, Term 2) to secure your child's place on the excursion. As the Zoo can only sleep a maximum of 80 people the excursion will be limited to the first 74 students who return their note and deposit.** Deposits and payments cannot be refunded unless a medical certificate is produced. This is necessary as the school has prepaid some costs to the venue and calculated the estimated cost of the excursion per person. Please be aware that we need to meet minimum numbers for this excursion to go ahead, so return of the Permission note below and payment of the deposit are required by the due date.

Timeline of due dates for payments for the excursion:

Holding Deposit: \$40 by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May (Term 2, Week 1)

2<sup>nd</sup> Payment: \$40 by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June (Term 2, Week 7)

3<sup>rd</sup> Payment: \$40 by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July (Term 3, Week 1)

4<sup>th</sup> Payment: Remaining total between \$16- \$27 by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September (Term 3, Week 7) – final payment amount will be advised during Term 2, once student numbers attending excursion are confirmed.

Please note **full payment must be finalised by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018.**

The cost includes coach travel, accommodation, entry fees to the Zoo, evening zoo encounter, morning zoo walk, dinner Tuesday night, breakfast, recess and a packed lunch on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Students will need to have a packed recess and lunch for Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October as we will have a normal school day before departing at 2.30pm.

Medical forms, and additional information will be sent home during Term 3.

It is a serious responsibility for staff to care for students on an overnight excursion so only those children who have demonstrated appropriate behaviour at school and on previous excursions, will be considered for inclusion. ***If a child has been suspended prior to the excursion, they must satisfy the requirements of an excursion behaviour contract and risk assessment for the remainder of the time leading up to the excursion. Failure to meet these requirements will result in exclusion from the excursion.***

Should you have any concerns or queries including supported payment options please contact me through the school office.

Thanking you

Tracey Press  
Stage 2 Excursion Coordinator

Glen Bourke  
Principal

## What to Bring

- Students wear sports uniform and joggers to school on Tuesday.
- School jumper
- School bucket hat
- Casual clothes and joggers for Wednesday – (no singlets). Please send a warm jumper/jacket.
- Sleeping Bag
- Pillow
- Toiletries for shower
- Wet weather jacket/umbrella (if the weather forecast notes possible rain)
- Torch – use in tent only
- Pyjamas
- Small amount of spending money (maximum \$20) in an envelope clearly marked with the student's name.

## ZoosnooZ Excursion Itinerary:

### Day 1 - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018

9.10am	Normal school day
2.00pm	Coaches arrive at school (Spring St bus area)
2.30pm	Coaches to depart school
4.30pm	Check in at Savannah Visitor Plaza
5.00pm	Arrive at Billabong Camp
6.15pm	BBQ dinner
7.10pm	Night walking tour – visit the Education Centre for an Animal Encounter. Get up close with a range of native Australian animals and visit the Zoo's Aussie Walkthrough and search for native animals by spotlight.
9.00pm	Supper
9.30pm	Shower time
9.50pm	Lights out

### Day 2 – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2018

6.00am	Breakfast / pack up
7.15am	Morning walking tour
8.30am	Self-guided zoo tour
10.00am	Recess break (included)
11.00am	Continue zoo Tour
12.30pm	Lunch break (included)
1.15pm	Visit Souvenir Shop
2.00pm	Depart zoo by bus
4.00pm	Arrive back at Orange East PS (Spring St Bus Bay)

## Stage 2 ZoosnooZ Taronga Western Plains Zoo Excursion

**Date:** Tuesday 23rd October- Wednesday 24th October 2018  
**Classes:** 3/4 Parrot (Mrs Press/Mrs Pulbrook), 3/4 Kookaburra (Ms Cheney), 3/4 Echidna (Ms Hay)  
**Cost:** \$136- \$147 per student – final cost to be advised in Term 2  
**Deposit of \$40 is compulsory and must be paid by Friday 4th May (Term 2, Week 1) to secure a place on the excursion.**

**Tour Company:** Apple City Buses

**Accommodation:** Billabong Camp, Taronga Western Plains Zoo  
(Obley Rd, Dubbo. Emergency contact only: 68844530)

**Accompanying Teachers:** Mrs Press, Mrs Pulbrook, Ms Cheney, Ms Hay, Mr Bourke

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### PERMISSION NOTE – Year 3/4 ZoosnooZ Excursion 2018

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the overnight excursion to Taronga Western Plains Zoo from Tuesday 23rd October to Wednesday 24th October 2018.

My child has the following special dietary requirement \_\_\_\_\_

*Please read each statement and tick all boxes to indicate understanding and consent:*

- I understand that students on the excursion will be supervised by Mrs Press, Mrs Pulbrook, Ms Cheney, Ms Hay & Mr Bourke.
- I understand travel will be by coach, as arranged by *Apple City Buses*, in consultation with organising staff at Orange East Public School.
- I understand the excursion group accommodation will be at the Taronga Western Plains Zoo.
- I give permission for my child to receive medical treatment in case of emergency.
- I enclose \$40.00 being the non-refundable holding deposit (or complete Online Payment slip below).

*Please contact the excursion organiser if you have specific information/requests that may be required to assist the planning of the excursion for your child. Medical Information forms will be sent home to parents in Term 3.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Carer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### ONLINE PAYMENT DETAILS

Go to: [www.orangeeast-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.orangeeast-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)  
Click on \$Make a payment icon

I have made an Online payment  
(Payment must be made by: 04/05/2018)

ZoosnooZ **Excursion Deposit \$40**

on:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Description Ref (to be entered when making payment online)

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Online Receipt No:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Paid

I certify payment has been made online.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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**If Paying Online please complete the below payment slips and forward to school after payment has been made. Thank you.**

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ZoosnooZ final payment

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