



28 October 2024

Dear Parents/Caregivers

RE: 2024 YEAR 9 OUTDOOR EDUCATION DAY EXCURSION – ROTTNEST ISLAND – SEMESTER 1 CLASSES

This year all Year 9 Outdoor Education students have been involved in snorkelling and cycling as part of their studies. To utilise these skills, your child will attend a day excursion to Rottnest Island. This will allow students to snorkel in the safe waters around Rottnest Island, while cycling between sites and discovering other parts of the island by bike. The Year 9 Outdoor Education class teachers will be leading a team of staff to support each class throughout the day. Each group will have at least two staff members qualified in aquatic rescues and first aid to ensure the safety of students at all times.

Details of the excursion can be found below:

Date:

Semester 1 classes - Monday, 4 November 2024

Mr Dan Gordon, Mr Michael Tassone, Mrs Danielle Griffiths

Location & Transport:

- **Students are to meet at B Shed Fremantle at 6.45am.**
- Ferry to & from Rottnest Island from B Shed Fremantle.

Schedule:

- 6.45am: Students to meet Ursula Frayne CC staff at B Shed Fremantle.
- 7.00am: Boarding ferry as a group.
- 7.30am: Ferry departs for Rottnest Island ***Ferry will not wait for late arrivals*.**
- 8:00am – 4.00pm: Rottnest Island.
- 4.30pm: Ferry departs for Fremantle.
- 5.00pm: Ferry arrives at B Shed, Fremantle. Parents collect students.

Dress:

- College Sport uniform. Modest bathers with either rash vest/old t-shirt to be worn when snorkelling.
- **Closed toe shoes must be worn throughout the day.** Crocs are **not suitable**.

What to bring:

- **Daypack** - large enough to hold all items for the day including jacket/jumper, hat, snorkel equipment, sunscreen, towel, food and water.
- **Modest bathers/boardshorts** *Bikinis may be worn under rash vest/t-shirt but are not permitted to be worn by themselves at any stage throughout the day.
- **Rash vest/old t-shirt** *Must be worn during all water based activities and while at snorkelling venues.
- **PE polo shirt** *Must be worn while cycling and not in the water.
- **Closed toe shoes** for cycling around Rottnest Island – old runners are perfect.

- **Hat**
- Change of clothes/underwear.
- **Towel** – Beach.
- **Sunscreen**
- **Food** – lunch & snacks **You will not have any opportunity to buy food until the end of the day.*
- **Water bottle(s)** – minimum 2 litres **You will not have any opportunity to buy water until the end of the day.*
- **Bag/s** for wet items.
- **Money *cash/card only** to spend at Rottnest Island during free time in afternoon.
- Any relevant **medication** including Ventolin, EpiPen, Panadol

What NOT to bring:

- Mobile phones/electronic devices.
- Valuables
- New/good clothing/items

Each student will be responsible for looking after their snorkelling kit and a coloured vest that identifies their group. This vest must be worn throughout the day when snorkelling over rash vest/old t-shirt, and when cycling. These need to be returned to the relevant Outdoor Education teacher at lunchtime on Tuesday following the excursion.

Please access this link to grant permission and complete medical information for your child by Wednesday, 30 October 2024.

[Rottnest Island Permission link](#)

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's Outdoor Education teacher directly should you have any queries.

Kind regards

Mrs Tamara Keyes
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HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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YEAR 9 OUTDOOR EDUCATION