



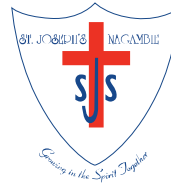
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Growing in the Spirit Together

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Camp and Excursion Policy

Developed 2011.

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Identity Statement.

St Joseph's School is a Catholic Community in the Josephite tradition where we learn and grow in the Spirit together.

Vision Statements.

St Joseph's School strives to be an educating community:

- Where the total development of each child is nurtured.
- Where an environment of trust, respect, hope and safety is built.
- Where families and the school work in partnership sharing the responsibility to educate the child.
- Where school life is an integral part of parish and the wider community.
- Where the students learn in a challenging, enjoyable and cooperative way.
- Where the teachings of Jesus are taught, modeled and lived.

Graduate Outcomes.

St Joseph's students learn to become:

- Problem solving, inquiring, critical thinkers striving to be their best.
- Competent and ethical users of technology.
- Hope filled, independent, resourceful, creative, resilient and confident young people.

- Knowledgeable and appreciative of the Catholic faith.
- Socially adept, respectful, just, environmentally conscious and appreciative of diversity.
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Rationale

Camps and Excursions are essential to give each child a direct learning experience through their interaction in the wider community.

Aim

- To enhance the over all social development of each child and develop qualities such as co-operation, responsibility and self reliance and a sense of community .
- To extend each child’s understanding and knowledge of the wider world - and at the same time to introduce, consolidate and enrich particular areas across the curriculum.
- To provide links between classroom learning and the ‘real’ world.
- To provide a camp program for the Senior Primary students .

Implementation

The camp or excursion can be an extension of an Integrated Unit of Work, or to complement a social skills program.

Annual Senior Camp -- multiple night sleep-over.

Annual Middle/ Junior Excursions planned according to classroom topics and within budget.

Whole school end of year Excursion

Class Medical Folder containing the following: information note, permission slip and up-dated medical form and asthma form to be taken on all excursions and camps.

Parent volunteers with police checks are required for overnight excursions.

Staff should be familiar with the safety procedures.

Evaluation

This Policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.

Attachments on the next page.

ATTACHMENTS

- i. Information RE: School Camps and Excursions**
- ii. Sample Permission Form**

INFORMATION RE: SCHOOL CAMPS AND EXCURSIONS - Our policy defines specific expectations to be met.

Defined as any excursion which includes overnight accommodation either at school or in house, dormitories or tents.

- a) Refer to Safety Regulations, Organisational Guidelines Manual, Diocese of Sandhurst. This manual is to be read in conjunction with:
- b) Schools of the Future Reference Guide, Dept. Of Ed. Melbourne, 1996
- c) Ministry of Education - Safety In/Outdoor Adventure Activities (1982), pages 3.0
- d) Charter of Sandhurst Schools Improvement

It is this school's policy to follow Ministry of Education Safety Regulations when planning School Camps.

Use up to date MEDICAL INFORMATION FORMS AND FIRST AID KIT must be on hand at all times.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES

Defined as those activities involving greater than normal risk, viz. Archery, Bushwalking, Canoeing, Snow Activities, Orienteering, Cycling, Horse riding, Swimming at Venues other than Swimming Pool and Skiing (Further definition - S.O.R.F.R.G).

Refer to - Safety Regulations, Organisational Guidelines, Dioceses of Sandhurst.

- Ministry of Education - safety in Outdoor Adventure Activities (1982)

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Next Page: Sample Permission Form

(name of event) on (dd./mm/Year). Please return to school by (dd./mm/Year)

(Date) the Grade (level) will travel to(Destination) for (name of event).

(What will happen on the day?) .

(What is the reason for the event?) ... is an annual event that aims to develop student's ... skills.

- This event will be held at (location)

(Staff attending) will attend this event with the students as the teacher in charge.

The students will be transported by bus, driven by (name/ company). We will be traveling on the (name of roads) to the destination, and the same way back.

- We will be Departing at (time)am, and aim to be back at (time)pm.

** Please ensure your Child(ren) is in (Sports) Uniform and have packed (in their school bag):*

A drinking bottle, Morning tea, lunch, a jumper, (other equipment e.g. ...) into a plastic bag

- (Principal or teacher's name) can be contact on the school mobile on: 0417 487 577

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Parent's/Guardian's Full Name:

Name(s) of Child/Children attending the event:

Year Level

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I hereby give my consent for the above named children to take part in ...(event)... travelling to and from ***the event by bus.***

In the event of any illness or accident, where the person in charge of the program is unable or it is otherwise impracticable to contact me, I/we authorise the person in charge to

consent to my child receiving such medical or surgical attention as may be deemed necessary by a medical practitioner.

Administer such first aid as the teacher in charge may judge to be reasonable necessary.

I accept all operative, blood transfusion and/or anesthetic risks involved and the responsibility for payment of all expenses incurred.

In the event of serious misbehaviour by my child I understand I will be contacted and expected to be available to collect him/her .

Signature of Parents/Guardians:

Date: