**23rd March 2015**

**YEAR 10 EXCURSION TO GOLD COAST THEME PARKS**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This year an excursion has been organised for Year 10 students to attend a variety of Gold coast theme parks over 3 days. The excursion is intended to be a reward activity for students who have conducted themselves satisfactorily this year, as well as recognising student achievement in the schools merit system.

The excursion dates are from **Monday 9th of November** to **Wednesday 11th November**. This is three days and two nights, inclusive. During our excursion we will visit; Dreamworld, White-water World, Wet N Wild and Movieworld. Accommodation for 2 nights will be at Seaworld Nara Resort, where students will have access to the Resort facilities and will enjoy the included Buffet Breakfasts and Dinners.

The cost of the excursion is **$400**. This includes transportation, accommodation and all entries to the theme parks. The included meals are two Breakfasts and Dinners whilst at the Resort. All lunches while at the theme parks as well as dinner on the return trip are NOT included; these will have to be paid for by the students.

The coaches will leave at approximately **6.00am** on Monday 9th November from Woolgoolga Skate Park. We ask you to please be there at 5.45am to allow for prompt departure. We intend to depart Movieworld at approximately 3.30pm on Wednesday 11th November and arrive at Woolgoolga Skate Park at **8.00pm**.

Due to the response from the survey at the start of the year, the excursion is unfortunately only open to a limited number of students who returned completed surveys, with a maximum of 57 being able to attend. As it is a reward excursion students on Gold (from 2014 and 2015), will be offered the first chance to attend the excursion. Then over a period of time (based on the schedule below), students on other levels will be given their opportunity to attend, until all 57 places in the excursion have been filled.

Below is schedule of dates for returning the permission notes with the payment of the **$100** deposit for students on each level. If your student is unsure of their level, they have been posted outside the IA staffroom.

* **Gold Students** (from 2014 or 2015); Deposits and Permission Notes to be returned from **23rd March 2015**
* **Silver Students;** $100 Deposit and Permission Notes to be returned from **27th April 2015**
* **Bronze Students:** $100 Deposit and Permission Notes to be returned from **4th May 2015**
* **Zero Students :** $100 Deposit and Permission Notes to be returned from **25th May 2015**
* **Students from all levels who did not return surveys:** $100 Deposit and Permission Notes to be returned from **10th June 2015**

After the payment of the deposit, the payment of the remaining $300 will need to be finalised by the 12th of October 2015.

Students and parents please note that as this is a reward excursion behavioural eligibility rules will apply. They are based on the school’s merit policy. Students will be **ineligible for this excursion or removed from the excursion** if they:

* *Are suspended in the six months prior to the excursion date.*
* *receive a suspension warning in terms 3 or 4 this year*
* *received a uniform letter for non-compliance in terms 3 or 4 of this year*
* *truant twice in semester 2 (terms 3 and 4) of this year*
* *have a consistent pattern of un-cooperative behaviour and misbehaviour, as determined by the Deputy Principal*

Please feel free to discuss this with me if you are unsure if these criteria apply to you. Also be aware that Queensland does not recognise NSW ambulance cover. .

I am really looking forward to this excursion. If you have any queries about this excursion please contact me at school on 6654 1500.

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*Yr 10 Year Adviser Head Teacher Welfare*