



Year 1 EcoCentre and Late Night Excursions

Date

Thursday 19 May, Thursday 26 May and Thursday 2 June

Location

Currency Creek EcoCentre

Uniform

College Sports top, long pants (preferably jeans) and hat (jacket and boots if needed)

Student Requirements

Rubbish-free recess, lunch and a drink bottle. School bag to carry their belongings.

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

The Year 1 classes will be visiting the Currency Creek EcoCentre on Thursday 19 and 26 May and Thursday 2 June as part of their Term 2 Biological Sciences unit. Students will engage in a range of activities that focus on the different features of living things and where they live.

Students will spend time exploring the different types of minibeasts that live in water, soil and on land at the Currency Creek EcoCentre. They will study the features of these different minibeasts and how these features enable them to live in their specific habitat.

The traditional Year 1 'Late Night' excursion will also be incorporated into the final visit on Thursday 2 June. The aim of the Late Night in Year 1 is to help prepare students for the camp program which commences in Year 2. Students will also have the opportunity to observe the changes that occur between day and night at the site. This is also a focus of the Earth and Space Sciences unit which will be explored later in the year.

The format of the Late Night excursion will be different from the first two excursions. Students will arrive at the site at 11:45am and participate in a rotation of Science based activities. We will then share dinner together at 5:00pm. This will be a sausage sizzle, fruit salad and drink. From 5:30pm until 7:00pm, students will be involved in a number of night activities including a night walk and star gazing.

On 19 and 26 May, students will depart from the College at 9:00am and arrive back by 3:10pm. On Thursday 2 June, students will depart from the College at 11:10am. There will be two options for pick up at the end of the Late Night excursion. You may collect your child from the Currency Creek EcoCentre, Claughton Road, Currency Creek at 7:00pm or from the College at 7:30pm. Please indicate below which option you will use.

Students need to wear their Sports uniform with long pants (preferably jeans), ankle high hiking boots or gumboots, and bring a rain jacket, hat or beanie and set of gardening gloves. Students also need to pack a rubbish-free recess, lunch (all rubbish will be sent home) and a drink bottle. Students are also encouraged to bring their own insect repellent. Students will bring their school bag to carry their own belongings. For the Late Night excursion, students will also need extra food for an additional snack in the afternoon. There are water fountains at the site for students to refill their drink bottles.

If you have any concerns or questions, please email your child's class teacher.

Please fill out the dietary requirements, consent and travel details below for your child and return to the College by **Thursday 12 May**.

Yours sincerely

John Freebairn
R-6 EcoCentre Coordinator

Nicholas Smith
Head of Junior School

Year 1 EcoCentre\Late Night Excursions

Thursday 19 & 26 May and 2 June

Student:

Teacher:

I give permission for my child to attend these excursions.

Late Night:

I am aware that my child will remain at the EcoCentre after school until 7:00pm on **Thursday 2 June**.

I am aware that I will need to make travel arrangements for my child to get home.

My child will be collected at: The EcoCentre - 7:00pm College - 7:30pm

I will be collecting my child.

My student will be collected by Driver Name: Driver Mobile:

Dietary requirements for my child:
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I confirm that the College has current and correct medical information/contact details for my student.

Name:
Parent/Caregiver

Signature:

Please return to the college by
THURSDAY 12 MAY