



May 22nd, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

On **Thursday 15th of June 2017**, the Year 4s will be going on an excursion to the city to participate in activities relating to our unit of study for the term, 'Maritime Explorers'.

The day will consist of a visit to **Captain Cook's Cottage in the Fitzroy Gardens**, East Melbourne and a visit to **The Polly Woodside Ship docked at South Wharf on the Yarra River**. At Captain Cook's Cottage students will be involved in two education modules: **Travel Back in Time** which encourages learning and discussion about artefacts connected to Captain Cook and an account of his first voyage to Australia, and **Captain Cook's Treasure Chest**, where students explore Cook's Cottage and the garden to find answers related to various 18th Century characters. Students will learn the significance of this important heritage and cultural site in an interactive, education program designed to complement school curriculum.

The Polly Woodside visit includes a guided tour of the whole ship, above and below deck as well as an interactive tour of the gallery and seeing a short film about life on board a Tall Ship.

Year **4G** and **4O (Group 1)** will travel in one bus to visit the Polly Woodside first and then travel to Captain Cook's Cottage by bus. Year **4CT** and **4R (Group 2)** will travel in another bus to visit Captain Cook's Cottage firstly and then proceed by bus to the Polly Woodside. Due to the timing of the afternoon session at Polly Woodside, Group 2 will arrive back at school approximately 4:00pm.

The cost of the excursion is **\$30 per student** which includes travel and all entry charges.

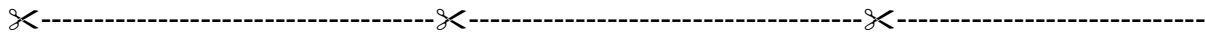
We ask that students bring a **packed lunch, two small snacks, (light morning and afternoon tea) and a drink** in a **small back pack** for the day. A light waterproof jacket is recommended in case of inclement weather.

The buses will be departing at 9.00am so we ask that students **arrive at school no later than 8.45am**. Please meet in the students' classroom. Our anticipated arrival back at school is 3.30 for Group 1 and 4.00 for Group 2.

Please fill out the permission slip below and return this, together with payment (\$30) to the school by **Thursday, 8th of June**. If you have any queries, please speak to your classroom teacher.

Kind Regards the Year 4 teachers,

Maria Capsalis, Annegret Talman, Andrew Russell, Brianna Golsworthy and Alexandra O'Connor.



ESSEX HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Excursion:	Maritime Explorers Excursion
Date:	Thursday 15th June, 2017
Cost:	\$30

NAME OF STUDENT: _____ **CLASS:** _____

I give my permission for the above student to travel by seat-belted bus to Melbourne for the *Maritime Explorers Excursion*. I authorize the Teacher in charge of the excursion to consent, where it is impracticable to communicate with me, to my child receiving such medical or surgical treatment as may be necessary.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

☏ Mother (daytime) _____

Mobile: _____

☏ Father (daytime) _____

Mobile: _____