



Bletchley Park
P R I M A R Y

Year 6 Camp Policy

Rationale:

At Bletchley Park Primary School we believe that the Year 6 Camp offers a unique opportunity for learning. Through the tour, the Year 6 students are given the opportunity to experience a wide range of activities and experiences that it is not possible for them to encounter in the normal school setting and which are unique to the chosen destination.

Aims:

- To reinforce, complement and extend learning opportunities beyond the classroom. The camp has strong links to the Western Australian Curriculum, particularly Humanities and Social Sciences and Health and Physical Education.
- To be immersed in the history and appreciate the uniqueness of the destination.
- To work collaboratively to develop effective creative and critical thinking skills. To develop independence, resilience and to learn to challenge themselves.

Implementation:

- The Camp is an opportunity that is offered to Year 6 students. It is the goodwill of the staff that enables the camp to operate. A decision to conduct the Year 6 Camp will be decided on a year-by-year basis.
- The principal must approve the camp.
- The school finance committee will advise the School Board of the monetary amount to be included in the *Charges for Extra Cost Options* in the annual School Charges and Contributions schedule.
- The camp will be thoroughly planned and conducted in a manner that complies with all Department of Education guidelines.
- Information will be provided to all parents of non-English speaking families in a manner that allows them to provide an informed consent regarding their children attending the camp.
- An appropriately designated 'Teacher in Charge' will coordinate the camp.
- A school mobile phone will be carried at all times, and the teacher in charge will ensure that copies of medical information, including parent contact details, accompany the camp at all times.
- Students will always wear identification with the school mobile phone number on when not at the accommodation.
- Only children who have displayed sensible, reliable behaviour at school will be permitted to attend the Camp. Parents will be notified if their child is in danger of losing the opportunity to participate due to inappropriate behaviour at school. The decision to withdraw a student will be made by the Principal. The school will not be responsible for any loss of monies incurred due to a student being withdrawn as a result of inappropriate behaviour whilst on camp.

Planning :

Risk Management

Risk Management is a process of identifying the potential risks a particular activity presents to students and supervising adults. Identified risks will be analysed along with a context for the development of appropriate countermeasures. These countermeasures will usually either eliminate the risks or control the risks to an acceptable level. If a specific student's risk assessment indicates that their high-level misbehaviour is an unacceptable risk, then participation may not be possible. The Western Australian Department of Education's Risk Assessment process will be completed prior to camp.

Medical issues

Consideration will be given to the medical requirements of students' participating in the camp. Where activities at camp are likely to be strenuous or conducted in circumstances where participation could affect the medical condition of students, a detailed survey of medical needs of students shall be conducted by the teacher in charge to determine the medical needs of the students who are attending.

This shall include information such as:

- any known medical conditions
- any medication which is required
- any allergies
- any medical condition which may prevent a student from participating in a particular activity
- dietary needs

Specific written instruction must be provided by parents/carers for the administration of medication. This includes prescriptive and over the counter medication.

Dietary requirements

All dietary requirements will be communicated to ensure service providers meet the individual needs of a student at all stages of the camp.

Mobile Phones, 'Smart Watches' and other devices with internet capability

Students are not permitted to bring mobile phones or other devices on the camp.

Behaviour

The safety of the staff and students during the Bletchley Park Primary School Year 6 Camp is paramount to its success. As such, it is important that students follow all rules presented to them in order to ensure that they do not put themselves or any other people at risk. Students must be able to demonstrate this within the normal school setting prior to the camp departure date and during the camp itself.

If students are withdrawn whilst on the camp, or sent home because their behaviour poses a risk to themselves or others, parent/carers are responsible for any costs incurred as a result of being sent home and may lose money that has been paid towards participation in the camp.

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