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## **Parent Excursion Policy**

## **Rationale:**

Many parents would like to attend school excursions. Often the number of parents that can be accommodated is limited by the seats on the bus or entry to the excursion venue. Parents on an excursion are there to assist class teachers and will be allocated a role in helping supervise students.

## Choosing the parents

The excursion note will have a slip on the bottom where parents can indicate their availability to attend the excursion. Priority will be given to a parent with a particular expertise in the excursion key learning areaeg a Scientist at a Science excursion. To help with the supervision of boys, fathers and grandfathers are encouraged to attend.

Teachers will put notes returned by the due date into a box and draw at random the extra parents to attend. This will happen in front of the class.

Parents of students with additional needs may attend to help support their child who may require an adjustment to allow participation.

All parents attending will need to have signed the volunteer working with children check.

## Role of the parent on an excursion:

Assist and supervise students in small groups while the teacher has full responsibility and duty of care. Parents are not to buy food for the groups they supervise as this is unfair to the other students on the excursion.

As parents are assisting with supervision, toddlers and preschoolers cannot attend with their parents. No photos from the excursion are to be uploaded onto parent's social media page unless the images are exclusively of their own child.

This policy was ratified by the school council on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2014