



Gilgandra Public School

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Stage 2 Overnight Excursion – Western Palins Zoo Dubbo

Dear Parents/Carers,

This year's Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) excursion will be held on **Thursday the 20 and Friday the 21 of October 2022 (Term 4, Week 2)**. Students will depart school at 9:30am on Thursday the 20 and travel by bus to Dubbo to participate in a range of activities culminating in and overnight Zoosnooze at Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo. After spending the day exploring Western Plains Zoo they will return to school on Friday 21 by 3:00pm.

The cost of the excursion is \$130.00 which covers, travel, accommodation, activities and meals. A deposit of \$50.00 is required for all students who wish to attend the excursion by **Friday 13 May**. Full payment is required by **Friday 23 September**.

Activities over the two days include;

- Sport and recreation session at Dubbo Sports World
- Dubbo Botanical and Japanese Gardens
- Zoosnooze program at Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo

If you wish for your child to attend this excursion please sign and return the attached permission slip below, medical/dietary form and a deposit of **\$50.00** to the school office by **13th May**. A detailed itinerary and a packing list have also been attached. Should you have any queries please contact the school on 6847 2043.

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Howard
Principal

Melinda Hoskins, Haylee Bishop, Sally Harris & Adam Smithers
Classroom teachers

Stage 2 Excursion Thursday 20 & Friday 21 October 2022 (Please return by **Friday 13 May**)

I give permission for _____ of class _____ to travel by bus to Dubbo

and attend an overnight excursion at Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo on **Thursday 20 & Friday 21 October 2022**.

A deposit of \$50 is included or has been paid online with receipt number _____

Signed _____
(Parent/Carer)

Date _____

Medical, Dietary and Contact Information Form
Stage 2 Overnight Excursion – Western Palms Zoo Dubbo

Please complete the following medical, dietary and contact information below and return it to the school no later than **Friday 13 May**.

Student's Name _____ Class _____

Dietary Needs;

Please circle any dietary needs for your child.

vegetarian gluten free lactose intolerant other _____

Does your child have any food allergies? (if yes please provide details)

yes no

details _____

Medical Needs;

Does your child have any medical requirements? (if yes please provide details)

yes no

If your child requires medication during the excursion, please provide **specific** information below. Include the name of the medication, dosage amounts and times and whether it must be taken with, before or after food etc.

Other medical and/or allergy needs. (please provide **specific** details)

Parent/Carer Contact Details

Parent/carers name;	Contact number;
Emergency contact name;	Contact number;
Medicare card number;	Position number on Medicare card;

Itinerary & Detailed Information

Stage 2 Overnight Excursion – Western Palins Zoo Dubbo

Itinerary

Thursday 20 th October, 2022	
Time	Activity
9:30 am	Depart Gilgandra Public School
10:30am -11:15am	Morning tea stop at Victoria Park, Dubbo (BYO morning tea)
11:30am – 2:00pm	Sport and recreation activities at Dubbo Sports World. Activities include; bubble soccer, laser skirmish and interactive games on a big screen. (BYO lunch)
2:15pm – 3:30pm	Visit to the Dubbo Botanic and Gardens afternoon tea provided.
4:00 pm	Arrive at Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo for evening activities. Activities include; BBQ dinner, night tour of the zoo, and supper.

Friday 21 st October, 2022	
Time	Activity
6:00am – 2:00pm	Commence the day's activities which include a morning tour and zoo exploration.
2:00pm	Depart Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo
3:00pm	Arrive Gilgandra Public School

Accommodation:

Students will sleep in tents of 2-3 students of the same sex.

Meals:

Students will need to bring a packed morning tea and lunch for Day 1. All other meals will be provided.

Packing:

Students will be required to bring a **day pack** (small backpack) which should include the following;

- * hat
- * packed lunch (for Day 1)
- * small personal items such as tissues, sunscreen & hand sanitiser etc.
- * refillable water bottle
- * jumper/ wet weather jacket

Students will be required to bring an **overnight bag** which should include the following; (**please note students will not have access to their overnight bag until they arrive at the Billabong Campsite**)

- * bedding - pillow, sleeping bag or sheets and blankets
- * change of clothes for Day 2
- * toiletries for showers including a towel, toothbrush/toothpaste, insect repellent
- * torch
- * pyjamas
- * jumper/ wet weather jacket

Clothing:

Students are permitted to wear casual dress on both days of the excursion. During this excursion students will be participating in a range of physical activities and need to be dressed appropriately. As it can still be cool in the mornings but warmer during the day in October it is recommended that students wear layers.

Closed in shoes must be worn at all times.

Spending Money:

There **may** be an opportunity for students to visit the gift shop at the zoo and purchase a souvenir. Students who wish to make a purchase at the gift shop must place money in an envelope/ziplock bag with their name and amount (**no more than \$20**) on it and hand it to their teacher on Thursday morning prior to departure.

Medication:

Students who require medication while on the excursion must bring the required dosage to school on Thursday morning and hand it to **Miss Hoskins** prior to departure. All medication must be in a clearly labelled envelope/ziplock bag with the student's name, medication name, dosage amount, dosage time(s) and any additional instructions.

Technology:

Mobile phones, iPads, iPods, tablets and any other electronic device **are not permitted** on this excursion. Staff will be taking photos throughout the excursion.