



# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PRIMARY

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Dear Year Five Parents and Students

## **Hyde Park Barracks Museum Excursion**

In Term 1 Year Five are learning about Early Australia and its impact on Australia's development as a nation. To complement the learning in this unit we have organised an excursion to Hyde Park Barracks. The Hyde Park Barracks offers a program entitled *Life at the Barracks: Convicts and Migrants*. This program allows the students the opportunity to travel back in time and immerse themselves in the sights and sounds of life as a convict during the colonisation of Australia.

The program runs for one hour and in that time the students will actively participate in activities that allow them to gain insights into the daily lives of convicts at the barracks and the importance of convict labour to the development of the new colony. While half the grade participates in this program the other half of the grade will walk through Hyde Park and the Botanic Gardens to look at structures from that period. The 2 groups will then rotate. The first session will commence at 10:00 am while the second will commence at 12:30 pm.

**This excursion will take place on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> March.** The cost of this excursion is covered by our excursion levy.

The students are required to be at school by 8:05 am as the buses will be **leaving school at 8:20 am.** Students will **return in time for the end of the school day.**

Students are asked to wear their full sports uniform for this excursion, including their **school hat**. They are required to bring a plastic disposable bag with a pencil, packed recess, lunch and a bottle of water.

We will require parent helpers for the excursion. If you are interested and able to help on this excursion, please return the slip below. You must have current child protection training (can be completed online – see school website) to be able to participate as a volunteer for the excursion.

With thanks  
Year Five Teachers

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### **Year 5 Excursion – Hyde Park Barracks Museum – Please return by Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_,  
in 5\_\_\_\_\_ to attend the excursion to the Hyde Park Barracks Museum on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> March. I am aware that my child must be  
at school by 8:05 am on the day of the excursion and that he/she will be travelling by bus and walking through the city.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/caregiver) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_ would like to volunteer to assist with this excursion to the Hyde Park  
Barracks Museum.

I have completed child protection training, which is current.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/caregiver) Date: \_\_\_\_\_