



WODONGA SENIOR SECONDARY COLLEGE

Every Student, Every Opportunity, Success for All

Dear Parents / Guardians

This letter is to inform you of the 2018 Central & Northern Australia Trip being organised and offered to year 10, 11 and 12 students of Wodonga Senior Secondary College.

DATES: Thursday 5 July (2.15 am) to Friday 20 July (8.00 am) 2018

COST: \$2350 – this includes airfare to Darwin; coach transport, meals, camping fees and equipment, sleeping mattress, two boat cruises; additional tours and entry fees, embroidered shirt and a bag for the students' luggage (theirs to keep after the trip). The \$2350 (only \$2000 after the deposit of \$350 has been paid.....) can be paid off in part or in full between now and the 8 June 2018

ITENARARY: *"The Backroads of the Outback"*

Day 1. WSSC to Darwin
Day 2. Darwin to Litchfield NP & return
Day 3. Darwin to Kakadu
Day 4. Kakadu to Katherine
Day 5. Katherine to Daly Waters
Day 6. Daly Waters to Alice Springs
Day 7. Alice Springs
Day 8. Alice Springs to Kings Canyon
Day 9. Kings Canyon
Day 10. Kings Canyon
Day 11. Kings Canyon to Uluru and Kata Tjuta
Day 12. Uluru
Day 13. Uluru to Bush Camp
Day 14. Bush camp to Coober Pedy
Day 15. Coober Pedy – Express home
Day 16. Arrive back at WSSC this morning.

The planned route will take in some of the most spectacular and exciting country that outback Australia has to offer. The trip is a 16-day adventure that will give students experiences that will stay with them for a lifetime. Our country and its many cultures, especially the Outback and Indigenous culture, are exciting and should be experienced firsthand- not just in the classroom. Highlights of the trip will include travelling to the world famous Litchfield and Kakadu NP's Katherine Gorge, bush camping in the middle of nowhere, visiting Alice Springs and local attractions, walking and experiencing the absolute beauty and awe of Kings Canyon, Uluru and Kata Tjuta, sleeping underground at Coober Pedy, plus many more! We will also be working over a couple of days with the Indigenous people of a remote community helping them with practical tasks around the place. Early in term 2 there will be an information night at the College to go through the many details of the trip. More information on this will be available later.

If you would like more information, then enquires can be made by phoning Mr Smith at the College on 6043 7500. If you are interested in sending your son or daughter on this trip then please send them to school with the attached letter signed and a \$350 deposit.

Please note that numbers are limited to 40 students and whilst we use a "first in" approach with deposits to secure a place, the College reserves the right to review each student's place on the trip based on their behaviour, work & effort in class and their ability to get along with peers and teachers at school. If necessary, in consultation with Year Level Coordinators, a student may forfeit their place if it is deemed they are not meeting the expectations of the College. If this should occur, the student's deposit will be fully refunded.

Thanking you for your time and consideration,

Yours truly,

Martin Smith
Outdoor Education Coordinator



Please complete this form and return to the College Office.

NORTHERN & CENTRAL AUSTRALIA TRIP 2018

My son / daughter

- is an absolute definite starter for the trip – attached is the \$350 deposit confirming their place* on the Wodonga Senior Secondary College Northern & Central Australia Trip 2018.
- ‘Tell him “he’s dreaming”’

Signed:

Date:

Parent / Guardian

* subject to conditions

Please note, that a student who withdraws from this trip will still be charged for the trip unless a replacement student can be found. Late withdrawals compound costs for other students and the College, and often complicates the organisation at arranged venues. However, unavoidable withdrawals will be viewed according to the situation. Please contact immediately the teacher in charge if you are concerned about your child’s participation in this trip.