



PRINCE
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Year 2 Outdoor Education Program

Adelaide Zoo Snooze | 2024



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Dear Parents and Carers

In Week 3 of Term 4 this year, your son will be taking part in the Zoo Snooze program at Adelaide Zoo.

Boys will explore the zoo, hear talks from keepers and enjoy an animal close-up with an overnight educator. They have a BBQ Dinner and a private guided walk around the zoo in the evening. In the morning they wake up to the sounds of native and exotic wildlife, followed by breakfast and a special tour before the zoo opens.

We understand that for some boys this might be their first night away from home. Your son will be accompanied by his classroom teacher, other Prince Alfred College staff and a Year 11 Leader. The Adelaide Zoo's Education team will facilitate the program with PAC staff responsible for pastoral care and supervision, including overnight.

To help your son prepare for this program, please note the following:

Food – Please supply lunch and afternoon snack for your son on Day 1. Dinner, supper and breakfast are provided by the Zoo. The Prep School will provide recess and lunch on Day 2 back at school.

Clothing – PE Uniform. Please pack a clean PE uniform to change into on Day 2. See the attached sheet for a packing list of clothing. Please ensure that all items listed are brought along and suitably named.

Consent Forms – you will receive an email to advise that excursion information and consent is posted in your Parent Lounge. Please complete the consent, medical and dietary information 2-weeks before your camp date.

To ensure your son's medical information is correct, please log on to the TASS Parent Lounge website (instructions contained in this information booklet) and check that the medical details are up to date. If your son requires specialist medication, e.g., Ventolin, EpiPen etc please ensure this is packed and sent with your son from home (any medication he currently has stored at PAC will be sent as 'back up' only). Please inform Daniel Cibich of any current medication or special concerns. Medication required on program must be accompanied by a completed [Medication Authority](#).

Covid-19

If your son has tested positive for Covid in the five days prior to the start date, please do not send them on camp. Please do not send your son on program if he is unwell, displaying symptoms of Covid-19 OR is being tested for Covid-19.

Please do not allow your son to bring radios, MP3 players, electronic games, mobile phones, lollies or money.

This is a fun program that will introduce the boys to a night away from home and help prepare them for future camp experiences through their PAC journey, introducing new skills of independence and personal responsibility.

Please contact me 0436 636 565 or email dcibich@pac.edu.au if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,



Daniel Cibich
Director, Scotts Creek Outdoor Centre

Outdoor Education at Prince Alfred College

Outdoor Education in the Preparatory School is concerned with the individual's well-being through the promotion and development of concepts, knowledge, attitudes, and skills that contribute to this well-being. Well-being is intrinsically linked to all aspects of a student's experience at school and beyond. It encompasses physical, emotional, cognitive, spiritual, and social health and development, and contributes to an understanding of self, to developing and maintaining relationships with others, and to participation in an active, healthy lifestyle.

Outdoor Education at PAC is more than just student participation in recreational activities and games. Its purpose is to develop a combination of transferable skills promoting physical, intellectual, emotional, and social development; to encourage present and future choices that contribute to long-term healthy living; and to understand the cultural significance of outdoor activities for individuals and communities.

Specific Program Objectives

At the completion of the Year 2 Outdoor Education program students should:

- Experience a night away from home with their fellow students, helping prepare for their camps in Year 3 onwards.
- Further developed skills such as independence and personal responsibility
- Strengthened relationships with their peers and teacher(s)
- Developed an understanding of conservation for native and exotic fauna.
- Had a lot of fun!

Intended Year 2 Program

	Day 1	Day 2
7:00am	Normal start to school day, classrooms open 8:15am	Rise and pack up
7:30am		BREAKFAST
8:15am		Morning walk and farewell from the Zoo staff
9:15am		Depart Adelaide Zoo
9:30am		Arrive Prince Alfred College, Dequetteville Terrace Normal class resume. Prep School will supply recess and lunch. Normal end of school day 3:30pm
1:10pm	LUNCH	
2:00pm	Depart Prince Alfred College, Dequetteville Terrace	
2:30pm	Arrive at Adelaide Zoo and store overnight gear. Explore the Zoo Visit "Nature's Playground" Afternoon Snack	
5:00pm	Return to Education Centre, meet Zoo educator	
6:00pm	BBQ DINNER Animal close-up Explore the Zoo at night walk on a guided walk Supper	
8:30pm	Bedtime	

Dates & Times

The following dates are intended for the Year 2 programs:

Program 1	2R	Monday 28 – Tuesday 29 October
Program 2	2L	Tuesday 29 - Wednesday 30 October
Program 3	2H	Wednesday 30 – Thursday 31 October

Students should arrive at school for a normal start time. Classrooms will open at 8:15am. A bus will transport the boys from school to the zoo after lunch on Day 1. A bus will return the boys to school on Day 2 where normal lessons will resume.

Medical Information

It is essential that the PAC Outdoor Education staff have up-to-date medical information for your son. Please follow the steps below to ensure that all medical information has been checked and updated prior to returning your son's consent form. Alternatively, you can phone the PAC Health Centre on 8334 1205.

Student Medical information is managed with the Parent Lounge. To review and update this:

1. Log in to the Parent Lounge: <https://tass.pac.edu.au/parentlounge> using your Single Sign-On (SSO) email address
2. Select "Student Details" -> "Medical Details"
3. Select "Update" or "Add" as appropriate
4. If you have multiple students, a select box is available in the top right-hand corner of the page

If you have any access issues, please contact ICT Services ictservices@pac.edu.au

Catering

Pack lunch as usual on Day 1. In addition, please pack an afternoon snack for Day 1.

A BBQ dinner, supper and breakfast are provided by Adelaide Zoo.

The Prep School will provide recess and lunch on Day 2.

Please ensure that we have up-to-date dietary information at least two weeks prior to the program so that any special dietary needs can be catered for.

Accommodation

Students will be accommodated in a large classroom at Adelaide Zoo. Mattresses for sleeping will be provided by the Zoo.

Toilets are located next door to the large classroom and may be accessed through an internal door.

Staff

During the day students will be accompanied by four staff from Prince Alfred College and an additional Outdoor Education staff member.

For evening activities an education staff member from Adelaide Zoo will also accompany the boys.

Daniel Cibich	- Director of Scotts Creek Outdoor Centre
Shannon white	- Learning and Adventure Manger
Samuel Ambrose	- Outdoor Education Instructor
Elliot Thompson	- Outdoor Education Instructor

Communication Systems

Mobile phones are used for emergency communication. If there is a need, College staff will contact parents. We will share reports of our safe arrival and evening activities through Seesaw.

Daniel Cibich

0436 636 565 (24 hours)

Program Expectations

We want the program to be fun, enjoyable and safe for everyone. Therefore, all school rules and expectations apply. We ask boys:

1. Listen carefully to and follow instructions given by all staff.
2. Be courteous to all adults and boys.
3. Allow everyone to feel safe.
4. Respect other people's property.
5. Be responsible for your own belongings.
6. Stay on the property unless with a staff member.
7. Take care of the natural environment.

Zoo Safety

The Zoo has certain rules and expectations in place to ensure the safety of the students, animals and other visitors

1. **Safety** – to avoid animal bites, only the animals in the Children's Zoo contact areas can be touched.
2. **Walk** around the zoo (no running).
3. **Respect** the animals' home and keep the volume to normal talking levels.
4. Avoid knocking on the glass of any enclosures or throwing objects at the animals to make them move as this causes great stress to the animals.
5. There will be other visitors in the zoo during the daytime, please be respectful of them.
6. Encourage students to find out answers to questions themselves by using their observation skills, reading signs, and talking to keepers, volunteers and other zoo staff.
7. Have an enjoyable time!

Fire Extinguishers

Fire extinguishers are an important and expensive piece of safety equipment. The zoo has numerous fire extinguishers, placed strategically in case of emergency. Students must not tamper with these devices. Boys involved in tampering or improper use of the fire extinguishers will be billed for their repair or replacement.

Living Together

Respect for each other is important in a community living together and in a camp environment. It is important to respect the privacy of others.

Clothing, Gear and Equipment List

DRESS CODE – PE UNIFORM

Top Tip - Write names on all clothing and pack with your son so they know what is in their bag!

Boys should wear their PE uniform to school and have a clean PE uniform to change into for the return to school. They will be able to stay in PE uniform for the rest of the school day.

What to bring

Boys should bring two separate bags: one day bag with a drink and snacks etc; one overnight bag that they can store until required.

Day pack

- Sunscreen & lip balm
- Broad brimmed school hat (with name written in it)
- Water bottle (500ml to 1litre)
- Waterproof jacket
- Personal medication- If required (Puffer, preventer etc.)
- Afternoon snack for Day 1

Overnight bag

- A warm sleeping bag (bring extra blankets if you don't think yours is warm enough)
- Pillow and pillowcase
- Towel
- Single bed sheet (to cover the mattress provided)
- Pyjamas
- Underwear
- Clean PE Uniform for Day 2
- Jumper
- Track pants
- Beanie
- Personal toiletries (toothbrush/paste)
- Insect repellent (Tropical Strength Rid/Aero guard)
- A book to read.

Items we encourage you to bring...

- Camera

Items to leave at home...

- × Electronic equipment – iPod, iPad, Computer
- × Junk food (chips, soft drink, lollies etc)
- × Mobile Phone
- × No money is required during the program