Dear Parents,

The students in Stage 2 have been learning about “First Contacts”, which explores the traditional way of life for Indigenous Australians. As part of this, an excursion has been arranged for Tuesday 5th April, 2016.

We will be participating in a workshop run by the Observatory Hill Environmental Education Centre and visit Barangaroo and The Rocks.

On the day of the excursion we will be leaving Brisbania at **7:30am sharp** travelling by coach, with seatbelts, to Sydney. We will arrive back around **4.30pm**. Children will be in school uniform/runners and must have their school hat with them.

- **When:** TUESDAY 5th APRIL, 2016 (Week 11, Term 1)
- **Where:** Barangaroo (Observatory Hill EEC)
- **Why:** History: First Contacts
- **Cost:** $30.00 – This includes transport and the workshop.

Money should be returned in a school envelope ensuring the permission slip below is completed and returned.

Your child will need the following on the day:-
- Wear school uniform with runners/joggers
- A school hat
- Sunscreen (applied at home)
- A poncho or raincoat in case of rain (NO UMBRELLAS)
- Recess and drink
- Lunch and drink – **Please see over for information**

As part of the Observatory Hill Environmental Education Policy on recycling, reducing and reusing, it is recommended that students **provide an eco-friendly recess and lunch**.

Thank you for your support.

Stage 2 Teachers

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**BARANGAROO - PERMISSION SLIP**

I do / do not consent to my child ………………………in class……participating in an excursion to Barangaroo on Tuesday 5th April, 2016. I understand that travel will be by a coach with seatbelts.

This excursion has the approval of the school principal. **My son / daughter** has the following special needs (please provide full details and include any relevant medical details)

Emergency contact numbers: .................................................. ..................................................

I give / do not give permission for my child to receive medical treatment in case of emergency.

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Parent/Caregiver Name Parent/Caregiver signature Dated
Observatory Hill Environmental Education Centre

Dear Parents/Student and Carers,

This is your chance to do something positive for the planet by preparing an ECO friendly lunch for the excursion.

We are seeking your co-operation in supporting the concepts of recycling, reusing and reducing by bringing an ECO friendly lunch on your excursion.

An ECO friendly lunch is one that has only recyclable or reusable containers for packaging and reduces the amount of rubbish.

An example of an Eco friendly lunch might be:-

- Sandwiches in greaseproof paper – biodegradable
- Drink in a reusable or recyclable container – a water bottle is best
- Fresh fruit – peeling can be composted back at school or home
- Play lunch is a paper bag (fruit and biscuits)

Containers that are environmentally friendly but should not be brought on the excursion are glass bottles and cans as they cannot be resealed.

To reduce the amount of rubbish containers that should not be brought:-

- Pre-packed portion controlled packets eg. Chips or biscuits and cheese combination packet
- Lollies in wrappers
- Drinks in throw away cartons with straws

As a general rule, don’t bring anything that can’t be taken home and reused or recycled.