

Nangwarry Camp and Excursion Policy – Revised February 2017

Rationale:

We believe that providing our children with the opportunity to participate in camp and excursions is an important part of the curriculum we offer our students at Nangwarry Primary School. Our motto, “Opportunities for Success” links with this belief.

Camps provide the opportunity for children to:

- Engage in activities not provided at our school.
- Link outside resources with the curriculum.
- Develop their social skills

Whole School Camps enable students to enact the keys to success:

- Persistence
- Organization
- Getting Along
- I can Do It (confidence)
- Resilience

Underlying these keys are the competencies of:

- Working in a team
- Communication
- Independent Living

A combined school camp will be held every 2 years, with Year 2 to Yr 7 children involved. Camps are optional in years when whole school camps are planned.

Supervision

Supervision will be in line with DECD policy and the nominated ratios appropriate for the activities planned. A designated and trained first aid officer will be in attendance, and responsible for managing medication or medical attention if required.

Attendance

It is expected that all children YR 2-7 attend the whole school camp unless there are reasons such as medical e.g. illness or injury that will prevent them attending. Reception/Yr 1 students have the option of not attending if parents/caregivers deem this to be appropriate.

Teacher Planning

Consultation with parents, staff and the Principal will be part of the planning process.

DECD Guidelines for Camps and Excursions must be adhered to including relevant risk assessments.

An application to conduct an excursion with full details needs to be discussed and signed of by the Principal, prior to departure.

Interstate excursions must also have Regional Office approval.