Dear Parents / Guardians,

In Term 3 the Preps are investigating the central idea ‘Animals are endangered due to human actions’. A full day excursion to ‘Melbourne Zoo’ has been organised for the children to explore the zoo’s many animals, habitats and exhibits. The students will enjoy an “Education for conservation” experience, participating in the “Wild Explorer” program as well as a walking tour of the zoo. This excursion will enhance our understandings of animals, their habitats and their requirements for survival.

**DATE:** FRIDAY, 9th September 2016
**COST:** $24.00 per student.

*Payment options are cash, credit card or Qkr*

This price includes:
- $17 for entrance and educational session
  (Please note that **zoo membership** is not valid for school visits)
- $7 for transport by bus to and from the zoo.

**TIMES:**
- **Departure Time** - 9:00 a.m. **Arrival Back at School** - 3:00 p.m.
- students need to be at school no later than 8:40 a.m. ready for departure
- please be mindful that arrival time back to school depends on traffic conditions

Students will require the following items during the excursion:

- A snack and a drink in a disposable bag
- A packed lunch and another drink in a second disposable bag.

Each bag must be clearly labeled with your **child’s name and grade**. No containers, glass bottles, or cans please.

*Please remember to include a drink in both plastic bags.* No lunch orders will be available on this day. The children will need to be in full school uniform and will also require a hat, sunscreen and possibly a coat. Please ensure that you notify your child’s teacher if they have particular medical needs.

If you wish your child to attend this excursion, please complete the permission envelope and return with the money **by Thursday 1st of September** so that numbers can be finalised. We are sure you’ll agree that this is a great opportunity not to be missed! Thank you for your support.

Ms Trajkovski, Ms Lindorff, Ms Verdolini, Ms Szmigielski, Ms Gatt and Ms Cobbedick

Prep Grade Teachers
I am able/not able to assist on the Melbourne Zoo excursion on **Friday 9th September, 2016**. (Only one-two parents per classroom can accompany the class. In fairness to all, these volunteers will be drawn from a hat. There will be additional volunteer opportunities in term 4. No pre-school children please).

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Signed: ___________________________  Dated: __________

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**EXCURSION PERMISSION SLIP – MELBOURNE ZOO**
(Please fill in and return to your child’s teacher)

STUDENT: ________________________________  GRADE: ______

TEACHER: ________________________________

I hereby give permission for my child to attend the school activity mentioned above. I authorise the teacher in charge of the activity to consent where it is impracticable to communicate with me to my child receiving such medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary.

CONSENT STATEMENT: Please indicate by ticking **YES** or **NO**

Does your child suffer from an allergy?

☐ YES ________________________________ ☐ NO

*(If yes, please write allergy above)*

Is your child on any medication?

☐ YES ________________________________ ☐ NO

*(If yes, please write medication above)*

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: ________________________________

DATE: ________________

Contact number in case of emergency ________________________________

Relationship to child: ____________________________________________