

Excursion Risk Management Plan

Excursion details: Baden Powell Scout Centre						
Date(s) of Excursion	12/1/22 Excursion destination		on	Pomona St, Pennant Hills NSW 2120		
Departure and arrival times						
	Depart Centre: 9:30am Arrive at ve	enue : 10:00am	Depart venue: 1:00p	m Arrive back at NOOSH: 1:30pm		
Proposed activities	Travel by hired bus Participating in low ropes course, sport, I	oushwalking	Water hazards? Yes/N	0		
			If yes, detail in risk asse	essment below.		
Method of transport, including proposed route	Catch a hired bus from NOOSH Centre to Park	Fagan	Sports Staulum	Normanhurst Public School, Normanhurst Rd		
	Head south on Normanhurst Rd towards Cumberland Hwy	Thornle	Thornleigh a.2 km	nin		
	Turn right onto Cumberland Hwy/Pe Hills Rd/A28	ennant olworth		ey Adventist Fot Valley Rd Hospital		
	Turn left onto Pomona St	int	Baden-Powell			
	Turn left onto Orchard St		Activity Centre			
	Travel time on bus approx. 30 minutes					
	NSW does not require seat belts on the	he bus but seatbelts	s will be used if availabl	e on the bus.		

Name of excursion co-ordinator	Kerri Wickenden				
Contact number of Excursion	(M) 0409 457 578	(M) 0437 712 178			
Co-ordinator					
Number of children attending excursion	Intended: 30 Number of educators/parents/volunteers 6				
Educator to child ratio, including whether this excursion warrants a higher ratio? Please provide details.	1:10 (1 Extra educator due to children with disability/special n	eeds)			
Procedures for: - Leaving the centre - Entering and exiting the bus - Entering the venue - Leaving the venue - Entering and exiting the bus - Returning to the centre Including accounting for children at all times.	per educator) A roll call is conducted prior to the children leavi ensure they know the number of children who a Each educator accompanies their group to the basensures all the children in their group are in their The educator counts the children in their group of A roll call is conducted before the bus departs, won the bus. As we alight from the bus a headcount is conductitems. We then walk to our destination, with the educating the group at all times. An educator is stationed a another at the back to ensure all children are safe headcounts as we transition. On arrival at our destination a roll call is conducting the conduction of the prior to exiting the venue another roll call & head of the work would be then walk to our bus, with the educators work would be then walk to our bus, with the educators work work the prior to exiting the venue another roll call & head our bus, with the educators work the prior to exiting the venue another roll call & head our bus, with the educators work the prior to exiting the venue another roll call & head our bus, with the educators work the prior to exiting the venue another roll call & head our bus, with the educators work the prior to exiting the venue another roll call & head our bus, with the educators work the prior to exit	 A roll call is conducted prior to the children leaving the NOOSH building. The excursion coordinator is to ensure they know the number of children who are in our care. Each educator accompanies their group to the bathroom area, with educator waiting outside. The educator ensures all the children in their group are in their care before walking them to the bus. The educator counts the children in their group onto the bus. A roll call is conducted before the bus departs, with another educator conducting a headcount of all children on the bus. As we alight from the bus a headcount is conducted. The bus is checked for any remaining children and items. We then walk to our destination, with the educators working to ensure the children in their group are with the group at all times. An educator is stationed at the front, leading all the children to the destination, and another at the back to ensure all children are safe. Educators are encouraged to conduct their own group headcounts as we transition. On arrival at our destination a roll call is conducted with another educator conducting a headcount of all 			

	 The educator counts the children in their group onto the bus. A roll call & headcount is conducted before the bus departs. When the bus stops to let us off a headcount is conducted. The bus is checked for any remaining children and items. We then walk to NOOSH, where a roll call & headcount is conducted.
excursion checklist	

Excursion checklist	
☐ First aid kit	☐ List of adults participating in the excursion
☐ List of children attending the excursion	☐ Contact information for each adult
☐ Contact information for each child	☐ Mobile phone / other means of communicating with the service & emergency services
☐ Medical information for each child	☐ Other items, please list

Risk assessment					
Activity	Hazard identified	Risk assessment (use matrix)	Elimination/control measures	Who	When
Travel on bus from Normanhurst Centre to Baden Powell	Children injured during bus travel	Moderate	Educators to initiate conversation with bus driver to ensure bus driver is not intoxicated or otherwise incapacitated from driving a bus.	First Educator on bus	On travel & arrival to the venue
		Moderate	If the condition of the bus itself is considered dangerous we will not go ahead with the excursion	First Educator on scene	

Moderate	Ensure children are sitting in their seats at all times, and are not distracting to the bus driver. Nobody is to move around the bus while the bus is in motion Road accident en route to venue: If the accident is not serious: On regular road keep children safe by staying on the bus if it is safe to do so. If not, move children to a safe location on footpath or grass area that is	All Educators	
	safe and protected from oncoming traffic. Contact centre and Manager as soon as possible. If the accident is serious: Move those able to walk away from the scene of the accident to a safe location. This will need to be assessed at the time. Assess		
Moderate	casualties and administer first aid as best you can until emergency help arrives. Call '000' and cooperate with emergency services at all times. At least one Educator (if possible) to accompany children to hospital until parents arrive. Contact centre and Manager as soon as		

			possible. – Educator at service will begin contacting parents Mechanical Breakdown Low Keep children safe by staying on the bus if it is safe to do so. If not move children to a safe location protected from oncoming traffic, sun and heat. Educators to supervise children to avoid danger until problem is fixed or replacement bus arrives		
Disembarking from Bus into carpark areas	Slips, trips, falls,	Moderate		All Educators	
	collisions		Walk children, 2 lines in close groups		
	2,11		Educators positioned at front, middle and ends of groups	All Educators All Educators &	
	Child may wander/ abscond	Moderate	Constant head counts, and checking on children	Children	
			Educators to communicate with one another and the children	Educators	
	Child may be struck by vehicles	Moderate	Request bus driver drop us in a safe out of the way place in the carpark. Educators to stand watching incoming/outgoing traffic and stop vehicles if necessary. Educators to usher	Educators	

			children to the nearest safe (grass) area for headcounts to ensure children are safe.		
Entering Baden Powell	Trips, slips, falls, Medical emergency, First aid required	Moderate	Maintain children close in groups. Close supervision Educators encourage children to listen and implement appropriate behaviours	All Educators All Children	Whilst entering Clontarf Reserve
Walking around Baden Powell	Trips, slips, falls, injuries, illness	Moderate	An educator to lead each group as per child:educator ratio	All educators	Whilst walking around
			Ensure each member of the group walks, not runs, and stays within sight of an educator	All children, educators	On the day
		Moderate	Educators to choose flat surfaces to walk across and to warn children of potential trip hazards such as tree roots, leaves	All educators	
	Children may step on a stick and that stick may step up and hit them	Moderate	Encourage children to look where they are stepping to ensure that they do not step on a stick incorrectly	All educators	On the day
		Moderate	Ensure children don't step on wet/slippery areas/rocks by notifying them of hazards	All educators and children	On the day
			Educators to be on the lookout for flora and fauna that may		

Risk of injury from flora and fauna	Moderate	injure children. Inform children of danger, and ask them to move away from the danger if necessary	All educators and children	On the day
- Risk of tree branches falling	Moderate	Ensure Baden Powell is taking nescessary steps in trimming dead branches. In extreme weather where the risk goes up, consider staying at centre	All educators and children	
- Risk of collision while walking	Moderate	Supervise children carefully, ensuring that they leave adequate space between them and other	Educators	On the day
	Moderate	children		
Risk of children running into the bush	Moderate	Ensure children do not leave the group, keep children away from the bush	Educators	On the day
Children passing one other	High	Children to be aware of their surroundings and to 'give way' to others	Responsible person on	On the day
		Children to be aware of branches 'snapping' back towards them as they are held by others	the day	
Getting hands/feet caught in and under materials	High	Ensure children walk carefully and avoid obstacles	The Coordinator & educators	On the day

	Risk of needing to evacuate the area due to fire etc. and children not knowing where to go	High	Let the staff know of the best ways to safely evacuate the children	All educators All educators	On the day
	Medical emergencies First aid required		Have plans and medication accessible to be used for children with asthma and anaphylaxis conditions Educators will carry small first aid kits on them		
	Missing child		Educators will conduct regular roll calls and head counts of their individual groups & communicate this to the coordinator		
			Educators will have a walkie talkie to communicate to other staff whilst at the venue		
			Educators will supervise tracks to ensure children do not leave the area		
			Educators will ensure children will not interact with the general public. They will check the bathrooms before the children enter, and will wait outside until the children are done.		
Participating in sport activities	Social/emotional well- being	Low	Children to listen to instructions and follow accordingly	Educators & Children	On the day

	Handling of equipment	Low	Children are instructed how to handle equipment appropriately and with respect	Educators & Children	
	Playing soccer/sports	Moderate	Ensure children are playing sports in a sensible and responsible way.	Educators	On the day
			Ensure that there are no trip hazards and the soccer area is safe to play on.	Educators	
			Ensure that children are playing against children who are not too much bigger than them.	Educators	On the day
			Ensure game is modified so that children are not injured through tackling.	Educators and children	
Eating lunch and recess	Risk of sunburn	Moderate	Children to be seated in the shade while eating to reduce risk of sunburn. Sunscreen to be regularly reapplied.	Educators	
	Risk of allergies	Moderate	Ensure that no people nearby are eating foods the child is allergic to, and ensure that any child with allergies is not given food that they are allergic to.	Educators	

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On the low ropes course at Baden Powell	Risk of injury from falling	Low	Children may fall off the low ropes course – risk of injury is low due to the children only being a foot off the ground.	Educators and Baden Powell staff	
	Risk of injury through rope burn	Moderate	Children may grab on to rope to stop from falling and may get rope burn – speak to children about the risks and request that they jump off the course instead	Educators and Baden Powell staff	
	Children may jump off course and have a bad landing	Moderate	Show children the 'motorbike' jump and encourage them to use it if they are coming off the course in order to land safely	Educators and Baden Powell staff	
	Children may be injured through using equipment improperly	Moderate	Ensure all children are supervised properly and are using equipment correctly to avoid any injuries	Educators and Baden Powell staff	
Environmental Impacts & Emergency Evacuation	Extreme Weather conditions (including heat stress, sun burn, storms, high winds), Fire / floods, emergency crisis/situation	Moderate	Seek shade/shelter where appropriate Give time for children to be calm, safe and secure	Educators & Children	Preparation before Excursion & During excursion
Using the toilets & hand washing	Children using toilets at the venue	Moderate	An Educator to check toilet areas for any hazards before children enter	All educators All children	Whilst using toilets and hand washing areas

		Moderate High	If the gender of that educator is not able to check the toilets. Send 2x older more responsible children to check whilst the educator waits right outside of toilet area		
	Missing child	Moderate	Children to go in small groups of same gender		
			Regular head counts and roll calls		
			Educators to walk children in groups at a time and remain near toilet block area until children have finished		
			Children to always communicate with educators about going to and from the toilets.		
	Health & Hygiene		Excursion Coordinator to ensure antibacterial wipes and hand sanitiser is taken on all excursions and provided to children at times of washing hands.		
Eating & drinking	Allergy & Food intolerances	Moderate – High	Ensure educators, children & families are aware of our Food & Nutrition Policy	The Coordinator Educators	Before the excursion, during the excursion & after the excursion
	Choking, illness, vomiting		Ensure families are regularly provided with information about food and nutrition	Parents/families Children Volunteers	
	Anaphylactic reactions		Ensure children are seated down whilst eating or drinking		
			Regularly update information of children with anaphylaxis/allergies/intolerances and cultural requirements.	Educators	

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			Ensure each educator and volunteer is aware of the medical and dietary list/info of each child.	The Coordinator & educators	
			Staff are trained in First aid, anaphylaxis and allergy awareness.		
			Ensure all staff are appropriately supervising children when eating and drinking.		
			Medication for children with allergies /asthma is available on excursion.		
			Staff to ensure that children have filled water bottles. Staff to ensure children continue to top up/re-fill their water		
Sun Protection & Dehydration	Sunburn / burns/ infections / illness Sun stroke, dehydration	Moderate	Check temperature & UV rating of the day at intervals the commencement of the day, lunch time and prior to 3pm.	The Coordinator Educators	Before leaving the centre & during the excursion
			Ensure that Educators, volunteers & families are aware of our Sun Safety Policy Ensure families pack hats for their children each day		
			Ensure children wear hats as necessary or stay under the shade if UV is over 3 Provide shelter where necessary	Parents/families Children Volunteers	

			Regularly ensure children have opportunity to get a drink of water Ensure children still get opportunity of some sun exposure for Vitamin D levels (UV rating checked with this) Sunscreen will be applied throughout the day Ensure children have brought their water bottles	Educators	
Covid-19	Illness, infections, hospitalisation, death of child/educator/adult Community surroundings	Moderate - High	Ensure Educators & Families are aware of our Covid-19 Policy & procedure Maintain communication between NSW Health department, Department of Education, ECED and any other relevant organisation in relation to Covid-19 Ensure information of Covid-19 and any practices are updated as new information becomes available Ensure all such important information and factsheets are available & /or displayed for educators /parents /families and visitors to view Educators & families are updated with any new information / updates on Covid-19	Coordinator Educators Families and children	Throughout the whole day

	
Ensure that there are no children,	
educators or adults that enter the	
premises if they have been in	
contact with anyone that has	
had COVID-19 symptoms or are	
currently displaying any related	
symptoms	
If children or adults present	
during the day as unwell, they will	
be set aside from others. For a	
child: their parent will be	
contacted to collect them as soon	
as possible. For an adult: they will	
be asked to leave the centre to	
seek further medical advice.	
All adults/Visitors/volunteers are	
to adhere to all Covid-19 rules	
and practices as per prescribed	
from the NSW government	
Children will be given regular	
hand washing routines	
throughout the day, dependant	
on activity and what they are	
exposed to	
Antibacterial wipes, hand soap,	
paper towels and hand sanitiser	
will be available to all.	
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Educators are strongly	
recommended to wear PPE	
including gloves & face masks	
where necessary	
Educators are to ensure	
supervision of children using hand	
sanitiser (as it is alcohol-based)	

A routine cleaning list is created in the centre and all educators are to complete the cleaning tasks and schedule.	
Educators are given opportunity to reflect and bring about new information in relation to our Covid-19 practices	

Plan prepared by	Rachel Warner	Date	12/11/21		
Prepared in consultation with:	Kerri Wickenden				
Communicated to:	All staff prior to excursion				
Venue and safety information reviewed and attached	Yes / No Comment if needed:				

Reminder: Monitor the effectiveness of controls and change if necessary. Review the risk assessment if an incident or significant change occurs.

Risk Matrix								
Consequence								
		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic		
	Almost certain	Moderate	High	High	Extreme	Extreme		
	Likely	Moderate	Moderate	High	Extreme	Extreme		
Likelihood	Possible	Low	Moderate	High	High	Extreme		
	Unlikely	Low	Low	Moderate	High	High		
	Rare	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High		