

Excursion Risk Management Plan

Excursion details: Stardust Circus							
Date(s) of Excursion	6/7/23	Excursion destina	ation	Rosehill Racecourse Corner Grand Avenue & James Ruse Drive , Rosehill			
Departure and arrival times							
	Depart Centre: 9:00am Arrive at v	venue: 10:00am	Depart venue: 1:30p	m Arrive back at NOOSH: 2:30pm			
Proposed activities	Travel by hired bus Viewing and participating in the circus		Water hazards? Yes/N				
			If yes, detail in risk asse	essment below.			
Method of transport, including proposed route	Catch a hired bus from NOOSH Centre t Racecourse		p Out Castle Hill	Normanhurst Public School, Normanhust			
	Normanhurst Publi	c School,	Castle Hill	oala Park anctuary Sydney			
	Normanhust			Beecroft			
	2 Normanhurst Rd, Normanhurst Head south on Normanhurst	NSW 2076	ServeNow	West			
	Rd towards Cumberland Hwy/Per Rd/A28	nant Hills	Hills Mall	Epping Park Macquarie A3 University			
	Turn right onto Cumberland Hwy/Rd/A28		thmead	Macquarie Park			
	Turn left to merge onto James Ru Dr/A40towards Granville	ıse		North Ryde Fop-Ryde City Blackman			
	Keep right to continue on James	F	Parramatta Rosehill Ga Racecourse	Shopping Centre Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre			

	Rosehill Gardens Racecourse James Ruse Dr, Rosehill NSW 2142					
	Travel time on bus approx. 45 minutes					
	NSW does not require seat belts on the bus but seatbelt	s will be used if available on the b	us.			
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	needs)				
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.	 Prior to the excursion children are divided into groups with an educator assigned to them (max. 10 children per educator) 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 					

- On arrival at our destination a roll call is conducted with another educator conducting a headcount of all children.
- Educators are to ensure that they have knowledge of where the children in their group are at all times.
- Prior to exiting the venue another roll call & headcount is conducted.
- We then walk to our bus, 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.
- 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	
☐ 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
nen	When	Who	Elimination/control measures	Risk assessment	Hazard identified	Activity
ıe	Whe	Who	Elimination/control measures	Risk assessment (use matrix)	Hazard identified	Activity

Travel on bus from Normanhurst Centre to venue	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	All Educators	
		Moderate	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 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 casualties and administer first		

		Moderate	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, collisions	Moderate	Walk children, 2 lines in close groups	All Educators	
	Child may wander/ abscond	Moderate	Educators positioned at front, middle and ends of groups Constant head counts, and checking on children	All Educators All Educators & Children	

	Child may be struck by vehicles	Moderate	Educators to communicate with one another and the children 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 children to the nearest safe (grass) area for headcounts to ensure children are safe.	Educators	
Entering venue	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 venue	Trips, slips, falls, injuries, illness	Moderate	An educator to lead each group as per child:educator ratio Ensure each member of the group walks, not runs, and stays within sight of an educator Educators to choose flat surfaces to walk across and to warn children of potential trip hazards such as tree roots, leaves	All educators All children, educators	Whilst walking around On the day

-	- Risk of collision while walking	Moderate	Supervise children carefully, ensuring that they leave adequate space between them and other children	All educators	On the day
	Children passing one other		Children to be aware of their surroundings and to 'give way' to others	All educators	On the day
	J	Moderate Moderate	Children to be aware of branches 'snapping' back towards them as they are held by others	All educators and children	On the day
ca	Getting hands/feet aught in and under naterials	Moderate	Ensure children walk carefully and avoid obstacles	All educators and children	
ev	tisk of needing to evacuate the area due o fire etc. and children not knowing where to	High	Let the staff know of the best ways to safely evacuate the children	All educators and children	On the day
N	Medical emergencies First aid required	High	Have plans and medication accessible to be used for children with asthma and anaphylaxis conditions Educators will carry small first aid kits on them	Educators	On the day
	Missing child		Educators will conduct regular roll calls and head counts of their	Educators	

		High	individual groups & communicate this to the coordinator		
			Educators will have a walkie talkie to communicate to other staff whilst at the venue		On the day
			Educators will supervise to ensure children do not leave the area	Responsible person on the day	
			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 Coordinator & educators	On the day
			the children are done.	All educators	On the day
				All educators	
Viewing the circus	Social and emotional wellbeing	Low	Children may become frightened/scared as the performers undertake tricks – reassure children accordingly	All educators	On the day
	Animals – diseases and harm	Low	The animals may free themselves from their handlers and may come close to audience – could trample and bite. Educators and performers to intervene if necessary	All educators	On the day
	Objects falling eg. Ropes, tent	Low	Educators to assess if tent is secure before bringing the kids in	All educators	On the day

			and will not join the show unless secure		
	Sore neck from looking up at the performers	Low	Warn children and encourage them to stretch their neck if need be	All educators	On the day
	Lighting and ventilation	Low	Ensure that the lighting is not too distressing for children and that there is sufficient ventilation	All educators	On the day
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	
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 Moderate	An Educator to check toilet areas for any hazards before children enter If the gender of that educator is not able to check the toilets. Send 2x older more responsible	All educators All children	Whilst using toilets and hand washing areas

		High	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	

			Ensure each educator and volunteer is aware of the medical and dietary list/info of each child. 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	The Coordinator & educators	
Sun Protection & Dehydration	Sunburn / burns/ infections / illness Sun stroke, dehydration	Moderate	to top up/re-fill their water bottles throughout the day. Check temperature & UV rating of the day at intervals the commencement of the day, lunch time and prior to 3pm. 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	The Coordinator Educators Parents/families Children Volunteers	Before leaving the centre & during the excursion

			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

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	Ensure that there are no children,
	educators or adults that enter the
	premises if they have been in
	contact with anyone that has
	had <u>COVID-19</u> 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.
	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	6/7/23	
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 N	Risk Matrix						
_	Consequence						
Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic	
	Almost certain	Moderate	High	High	Extreme	Extreme	
	Likely	Moderate	Moderate	High	Extreme	Extreme	
	Possible	Low	Moderate	High	High	Extreme	
	Unlikely	Low	Low	Moderate	High	High	
	Rare	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High	