



## Camps and excursions policy

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Approved by Governing Council	17/11/2023
Date of next review	17/11/2028
Applies to:	
Miltaburra Area School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Miltaburra School Based Preschool	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Rationale:

The Social Justice Action Plan (Ed Dept 1992) identifies geographical isolation as a major contributing factor to educational disadvantage. This policy seeks to address this specific issue.

### Belief Statement:

We believe that camps and excursions are an essential component of the educational programme at Miltaburra Area School. Staff will be encouraged and supported in their planning and organization of camps.

Specifically camps and excursions provide for:

- \* well being
- \* new skills
- \* addition of fun and excitement
- \* change of routine
- \* access to different resources
- \* enterprise skills
- \* reinforce and/broaden children's learning experiences
- \* making meaning of theory through application
- \* opportunities to see other view points
- \* development of social skills
- \* cohesion and collegiality



## ORGANISATION

Teachers will plan major excursions at the beginning of the year where possible, and inform parents of tentative dates and cost. Due to small student numbers it is expected that where possible major camps and careers camps may be organised and ran in conjunction with a neighbouring school to promote a wider social exchange and to try to minimise costs.

It is a school expectation that all students will take part. If financial circumstances preclude involvement, parents should inform the school. The school will, in co-operation with the Governing Council investigate ways to ensure full participation. This may involve additional fundraising.

Teachers will prepare a Camps/excursions planning approval Risk Assessment Form and submit it to the principal for approval.

All activities will be in accordance with the Camps Planning Manual.

All students must display appropriate behaviour and positive attitudes to learning to be involved in planned camps.

Teachers may arrange local events at short notice.

All camps money owing to the school must be paid for students to attend, this may include installment arrangements.

<b>Local day excursions or late afternoon</b>	<b>Sleep over or 2 day camp on Eyre Peninsula</b>	<b>3 day Camp</b>	<b>3-7 day camp (every 2 years)</b>	<b>Whole School Camp</b>
Year - R/1/2	Year- 2/3	Year 5/6	Secondary students Could include – Errappa Coffin Bay Aquatics Careers Trip State/Interstate - occurring every 4 yrs	If the opportunity arises this will replace all camps for that year