



# MANLY WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Year 2 Field of Mars Excursion

2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2023

Dear Parents,

On Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> March, Year 2 will be visiting the Field of Mars Environmental Education Centre. Students will be exploring a range of concepts linked to their current Geography unit of study, including natural and built features of different environments and how people interact with these different places.

Students will bushwalk through mangrove and eucalypt forests to the banks of the Lane Cove River. They will explore and investigate the natural and human features of these places, how they are used by animals and people and how they can be cared for.

During the excursion students will use a variety of hands-on fieldwork tools and sensory and immersive experiences such as invertebrate hunts, exploring the mangrove forest, creating banksia creatures, crab hunting (tide permitting) and creating a memory map of their day's journey using natural materials.

The cost of the excursion, including transport, is \$42.

On the day of the excursion, students are required to be at school at **8.30am** for roll call and need to meet their teacher in their classroom. Buses will arrive back at school in time for pick up at 3.20pm. Students are encouraged to bring a **small bag** that will fit their fruit break, recess and lunch, a water bottle, small sunscreen, raincoat and hat. **Students are to wear sports uniform.**

**Parent helpers:** One parent helper from each class will be asked to assist on the day. Helpers will travel on the bus with the students in the morning and afternoon. Unfortunately, no siblings are able to attend this excursion with parent helpers. Please tick the relevant box on the permission form if you are able to help out. In the event that there are multiple offers of helpers, names will be chosen at random and selected parents will be notified.

Year 2 Class Teachers

Mrs Julie Organ  
Principal

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