LEURA PUBLIC SCHOOL
6W, 5/6O and 5W Excursion
Bathurst Gold Diggings
Wednesday, 8/5/13

Dear Parents,

On **Wednesday, 8/5/13**, students in classes 6W, 5/6O and 5W will have the opportunity to attend an excursion to the Bathurst Gold Diggings on Mt Panorama at Bathurst. This excursion is in support of the HSIE Unit of work “Gold!” which will be studied by students in Term 2.

Students will be travelling by bus leaving at 7:50 am and returning at 5:00 pm. Students will need to be at school by 7:35 am.

The excursion will involve lots of hands on activities including gold panning. The students will be participating in a planned series of activities which will take approximately five hours to complete. Specifically, these activities are:

**Gold Tour**, including
- Indoor Museum
- Geology Room
- History Room
- Gold Diggings
- “Hands on” operating Whip
- “Hands on” operating bucket pump
- Gold panning demonstration
- “Hands on” operating Whim
- Mine
- Operating steam engines
- Operating stamper battery
- Retorting
- Blacksmithing demonstration
- Operating water wheel
- Chinese protectorate

**Life On The Goldfields**
- Making and building with mud bricks
- Examination of rammed earth buildings
- Life in a wattle & daub hut
- Erecting bush tents
- Bush cooking
- Bush games

**Gold Panning**
- 45 min gold panning (Yes, the gold is real and students may keep what they find)

Students will need to wear their normal school uniform, a coat or jacket, a school hat and take recess, lunch and plenty to drink. There is a souvenir shop on site so a small amount of spending money could be taken.

The full cost of the excursion is $58.00. We realise that this fee is somewhat high but feel that the experiences offered to the students are well worth it. Transport is by
coach and mini bus both of which are fitted with seat belts. Should you wish your child to attend then please complete the attached permission note and return it together with the excursion fee to the office by Friday, 5/4/13. (You may pay the fee by 2 instalments if you wish - $30.00 to be paid by Friday, 5/4/13 and $28.00 to be paid by Friday, 3/5/13).

There will be limited places available on the coach for parents interested in attending. The cost will be $35.00. Please complete the relevant section of the permission note if you are interested in attending and we’ll be in contact.

Thank you.

S. White
Organiser

D. Getley
Principal

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1.
I give permission for my child, ____________________________, of class ____, to attend the excursion to Bathurst Gold Diggings on Wednesday, 8/5/13. I realise that transport will be by coach and mini bus and that the students will need to be at school by 7:35 am and will return at 5:00 pm.

I have enclosed the excursion fee of $58.00 / or first instalment of $30.00 (with the balance $28.00 payable by 3/5/13).

☐ The medical information held at school is current

☐ I have attached updated medical information

Signed: ____________________________ Date: __________

Parent/Guardian

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2.
I am interested in attending the excursion to Bathurst Gold Diggings on Monday, 8/5/13. I realise that the cost for myself will be $35.00.

My name is: ______________________________________

My daytime contact number is: ___________________________

My child’s name is: ____________________________ Class: _______