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25 July 2017

Parent/Guardian:

Your child is currently studying GE628/723 Geography. As part of their studies, they are learning about how environments function, how humans change the environment and the consequences of environmental change. Their assessment will focus on effects of human activity on the Great Barrier Reef.

An excursion to the Great Barrier Reef is planned for **Friday 1 September from 5.30am – 8.30pm**. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a day of snorkelling at Hardy Reef and complete a number of activities directly linked to their assessment and learning experiences for this term. This will be explained in class BEFORE attending the excursion.

Students attending the excursion must be at school **NO LATER than 5.15am for a 5.30am bus departure** to the Port of Airlie. They will then be transported by Whitsunday Cruises to the reef where they will be snorkelling and taking part in various related activities. Dress for this day will be casual clothing which is suitable for sun exposure. They must also have a wide brimmed hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, a water bottle, snacks for the bus trip and any snorkelling equipment they would like to bring on the day.

The cost is \$125 per student which includes the bus trip, boat transfers, all equipment, lunch, morning and afternoon tea. For your student to attend, please complete the permission slip below, enclose the full amount and return it to the Finance Office in an envelope clearly marked on the front with their name and Homeroom and the wording 'Reef Trip', **BEFORE** Friday 18 August 2017.

Please check your child's medical details through Parent Lounge as this may be used during the excursion.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this excursion, please contact me on 4969 4199.

Regards

Mrs Tanya Bugeja
Head of Department, Humanities

Mr Jim Ford
Principal

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MERCY COLLEGE MACKAY GE627/723 Geography EXCURSION

Please complete and return to the Finance Office before 18 August 2017 - BUJ

I _____ give permission for my son/daughter _____

Homeroom _____ to attend the GE627/723 Reef Trip on Friday 1 September 2017 .

\$125.00 ENCLOSED I have checked my child's medical details on Parent Lounge.

Signature of Parent

Date