



# MERCY COLLEGE MACKAY

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## **'HUMANITIES MADE REAL!'**

Parents/ Guardians:

The 2019 Mercy Humanities Study Tour is fast approaching, so it is necessary to start finalising details to ensure the success and smooth running of this year's event.

The final itinerary is complete, with all major activities booked and confirmed. Please find it attached with flight times and details.

Students will be responsible for their own spending money, including any meals and snacks that they purchase that are not included in the overall tour cost. Please discuss with them your expectations with regard to appropriate spending in this area. It may be advantageous to setup a key-card account or purchase a prepaid debit card if you are not comfortable with them having cash during the tour. We will have a brief budgeting and spending session with the students prior to departure.

Students will be issued with their 2018 Tour merchandise prior to the departure date. This year they will each receive a tour hoodie that is to be worn on Friday at the airport, a lanyard, water bottle and itinerary.

The attached Permission/Medical form must be completed and returned to the Office by Thursday 16 May, as the information provided is vital for staff responsible for their health and well-being during the Tour.

Throughout the Tour we will be relying on a variety of transportation to organised activities. As we are flying, students will be allowed one suitcase and a carry-on bag. They are responsible for making sure their luggage meets the airlines requirements. We are very lucky to be staying at Hotel Discovery, right in the heart of the Melbourne CBD and Miner's Lodge Motel in Ballarat.

Most students will have their own mobile phone to take with them. Please provide their mobile phone number on the attached Permission/Medical Form, so we can maintain contact with them while away or in case of emergency; these numbers will not be distributed to other students or staff. A staff mobile phone number will be provided to students as a point of contact should the need arise and they will be encouraged to save this number into their phone. They will be required to download 'Life 360' for iPhones or 'Family Locator – GPS Tracker' for Android, for the purpose of monitoring their location in the case of emergency.

Students have received a list of items they should pack (which has also been included). A reminder that this is not a fashion show and warm, practical clothing and footwear is to be worn. If there are any queries please feel free to contact me on 4969 4199 or email [dianna\\_bailey@mercymackay.qld.edu.au](mailto:dianna_bailey@mercymackay.qld.edu.au).

This tour promises to be an educational and fun-filled opportunity for both students and staff.

Kind regards

Mrs Dianna Bailey  
Head of Department, Humanities

Mr Jim Ford  
Principal



## PERMISSION / MEDICAL FORM

**School Name:** Mercy College Mackay

**Name of Student:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Excursion/Camp:** Melbourne Humanities Tour 2019

**Date:** 19/6/19 – 25/6/19      **Venue:** Melbourne

Parents/Guardians:

Please complete and return this Permission/Medical form which is intended to provide the teacher/supervisor with sufficient information to ensure your child's well-being and which, in the event of an accident or injury, can be passed on to appropriate medical authorities for any necessary emergency assistance.

### PERMISSION DETAILS

- a) I hereby give permission for my child to participate in the activity as detailed in the information provided to me. I am aware of the nature of the activity and agree to delegate my authority to the staff and instructors involved.
- b) I consent to the teacher seeking such medical advice on behalf of my child as the teacher sees fit in the event of an accident or sudden illness when the teacher is not able to first contact me. If in such an emergency it is in the opinion of an attending medical or dental practitioner that my child requires medical or dental attention or treatment (including but not limited to the administration of anaesthetic, blood transfusion or the performance of any surgical operation), I consent to such medical or dental practitioner giving such attention or treatment.
- c) I accept that the teachers and instructors will take appropriate disciplinary action necessary to ensure the safety, well-being and successful conduct of the students who participate in the activities associated with the excursion/camp.

### PARENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Please provide information which would assist the teacher to make speedy contact with you in the event of an accident or injury requiring such contact.

**Name of Parent/Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_      **Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_      **MOB:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alternative Contact Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_      **Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_      **MOB:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Medicare Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_      **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian

***Please turn over to complete medical details***

## MEDICAL INFORMATION

Strike out whichever of the following statements which does not apply to your child:

I certify that my child does not, to my knowledge, suffer from any illness or disability which might interfere with or inhibit any medical or dental attention or treatment.

OR

I give notice that my child suffers from the following illness or disability and/or takes medication which might interfere with or inhibit any medical or dental attention or treatment, but certify that to my knowledge, my child does not suffer from any other illnesses or disabilities or take medication which might interfere with or inhibit any medical or dental attention or treatment.

<b>DETAILS:</b>	
Is your child on any prescribed medication(s) which would need to be continued during the excursion/camp?	[ ] YES      [ ] NO
<b>(If Yes) DETAILS:</b>	
Does your child have any allergies (e.g. insect bites, food)?	[ ] YES      [ ] NO
<b>(If Yes) DETAILS:</b>	
Date of last tetanus vaccination:	____/____/____
Is there any information you would like to give which, in your view, may affect your child's participation in the excursion/camp (including mental health issues)?	[ ] YES      [ ] NO
<b>DETAILS:</b>	

# Humanities Study Tour Itinerary 2019

## DAY ONE – Wednesday 19 June 2019

9:45 am      **Mackay Airport** – check in.  
10:55 am      **Depart Mackay**  
12:20 pm      **Lunch**                      **(packed lunch)**  
12:55 pm      **Depart Brisbane**  
3:20 pm      **Arrive Melbourne**  
3:30 pm      **Baggage Claim and Coach**  
6:00 pm      **Accommodation**  
7:00 pm      **Dinner**                      **(included)**

## DAY TWO – Thursday 20 June 2019

7:00am      **Breakfast**                      **(included)**  
9:30am      **Gold Museum**  
10:30am      **Sovereign Hill**  
12:00pm      **Lunch**                      **(included)**  
5:00pm      **Free time to explore**  
6:45pm      **Dinner and Show – NEW Lamplight Tour!!**                      **(included)**  
10:00pm      **Accommodation**

## DAY THREE – Friday 21 June 2019

7:30am      **Breakfast**                      **(included)**  
8:00am      **Botanical Gardens and Ex-Prisoner's War Memorial**  
10:00am      **Kryal Castle**  
12:00pm      **Lunch**                      **(included)**  
3:00pm      **Eureka Centre**  
5:00pm      **Depart Ballarat**  
7:00pm      **Accommodation – Melbourne Discovery**  
7:30pm      **Dinner**                      **(included)**

## DAY FOUR – Saturday 22 June 2019

7:00am      **Breakfast**                      **(included)**  
8:00am      **Scavenger Hunt**  
9:30am      **Old Melbourne Goal**  
12:30pm      **Melbourne Zoo**  
1:00pm      **Lunch**                      **(own money)**  
4:00pm      **Shopping**  
6:30pm      **Dinner**                      **(included)**  
8:00pm      **Bounce**

### DAY FIVE – Sunday 23 June 2019

7:00am	Breakfast	(included)
8:00 am	Queen Victoria Market	
10:30am	Melbourne Museum	
12:00pm	Lunch at Fitzroy Gardens	(included)
1:00pm	Shrine of Remembrance	
3:00pm	Immigration Museum	
6:30pm	Dinner	(own money)
7:30pm	Playtime	

### DAY SIX – Monday 24 June 2019

6:00 am	Breakfast	(included)
	<b>SNOW DAY</b>	
	Lake Mountain	
12:00pm	Leave Lake Mountain	
1:00pm	Lunch	(included)
2:30pm	Scienceworks	
4:30pm	Depart Scienceworks Spotswood Train	
5:00pm	Silent Disco	
7:30pm	Dinner – Café Notturmo	(included)
8:30pm	Night In	

### DAY SEVEN – Tuesday 25 June 2019

7:00am	Breakfast	(included)
10:00am	Jewish Holocaust Museum	
12:45pm	Lunch – Melbourne Central Station	(own money)
2:30pm	Walk to <b>Discovery</b> to pick up luggage	
3:00pm	<b>Coach</b> - depart for Airport	
3:30pm	<b>Melbourne Airport</b> – Check in	
5:00pm	<b>Depart Melbourne</b>	
7:10pm	<b>Arrive Brisbane Airport</b> – Dinner	(own money)
7:55pm	<b>Depart Brisbane Airport</b>	
9:30pm	<b>Arrive Mackay Airport</b>	

# Melbourne Humanities Tour – Packing List

**REMEMBER** – 23kg bag limit

## Clothes

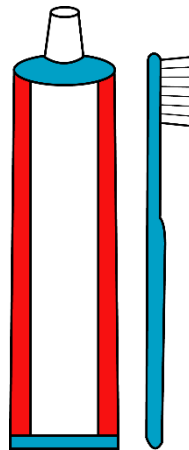
- Warm pants – jeans, long pants
  - Shirts – warm
  - Warm Jacket or Coat
  - Tour Jumper
  - Comfortable shoes to walk in
  - Beanie, Scarf, Gloves x 2 (wool & ski gloves)
  - Socks
  - Underwear
  - Singlets or Thermals
  - Warm PJ's
  - Thongs
- } *Enough for 6 days*
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(good to have spares)*



**Please remember this is not a fashion show, you need to be warm and comfortable.**

## Toiletries

- Tooth Brush, Tooth Paste
- Soap and washer/loofah
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Lip balm
- Moisturiser
- Hair brush or Comb
- Personal Hygiene
- NO** Hairdryer or Straightener



## Miscellaneous

- Towel** – essential
- Rain Poncho - essential
- Watch - *optional*
- Umbrella - *optional*
- Torch - *optional*
- Plastic bags for dirty clothes
- Pillow – clean pillow case - *optional*
- Camera – digital or disposable
- Phone – appropriate use only, school rules apply



## Bag on Plane

- Playing Cards – UNO, other card games or magazine/book
  - Sunscreen
  - Hat
  - Sunglasses
  - Water Bottle
  - Snacks (something substantial)
  - Lollies (minimal)
- Money - 2 x lunch and 2 x dinner (approx. \$15 each)  
- spending money (souvenirs/shopping etc)



**\*\*Debit cards preferred but some cash is required\*\***

**IMPORTANT: PLEASE MAKE SURE EVERYTHING IS CLEARLY NAMED.**

**Happy Packing! 😊**