



# Parramatta North Public School

## Stage 1 NSW School House Museum



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

To support our units of work in English (drama) and HSIE, we will be going on an excursion to the NSW School House Museum. Inquiry questions that will be covered will include:

- How has school and everyday life changed and remained the same over time?
- How do we know what school was like in the past for children and teachers?
- What aspects of past schooling can be seen today and what do they tell us?
- How have changes in technology shaped our schooling and daily lives?

Students will engage in activities such as:

- Treasure hunt – observing and identifying objects and artefacts from schooling in the past
- Suitcase investigation – handling and examining original contents of 1960s Globite suitcases
- Jelly pads and stamp pads – reproducing a map using a jelly pad and numbers and images using rubber stamps as changing printing technologies
- Postcards from the past – examining photographs of early school children
- Tales and toasting\* – toasting a piece of bread over the open fire whilst chatting about past technologies.

We will be travelling by coach with seatbelts, leaving from school at 9.15am and returning to school before 3pm. Students will need to bring their water bottle, crunch and sip, recess, and lunch. This should be packed in a small backpack.

All waste from 'food breaks' will be brought home in your child's lunchbox as there may be no facility for rubbish disposal at the School House Museum. Please ensure your child has a hat as well as a raincoat in case of wet weather.

- Date: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024
- The cost of the excursion is: \$38.00
- Venue: NSW School House Museum of Public Education, Cox's Rd, North Ryde.
- Uniform: Full Sports Uniform should be worn, including hat
- What to Bring: water bottle, crunch and sip, recess, and lunch. This should be packed in a small backpack.

We are looking forward to sharing this experience with our students.

Regards

Kathryn Methven  
Principal  
2 July 2024

Leanne Rolls  
Assistant Principal

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### **PERMISSION NOTE: Stage 1 Excursion – NSW School House Museum**

I give permission for my child ..... in class .....  
to participate in the Stage 1 School House Museum Excursion on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024. I understand the students will be travelling by coach with seatbelts to and from The School House Museum and supervised by teachers at all times.

- I have enclosed \$38 payment for this excursion OR
- I have made an online payment via School Bytes. My receipt number is: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate allergies/illnesses that your child may suffer from  
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Parent/Caregiver signature: ..... Date: ...../...../.....