Gerringong Public School
3 day Canberra Excursion

Day 1    Wednesday 8 August 2012

7.15am    Coaches arrive at Gerringong Public School – load baggage onto coach
7.45am    Depart School and travel to Canberra with a comfort stop along the way
11.45am   Arrival time into Canberra
12 noon   National Museum of Australia – education program

At the National Museum of Australia every object tells a story about Australia and
Australians. Each of these stories provides a unique educational tool, enabling teachers to
encourage students to make the important links between their historical and contemporary
environments. Facilitated Education programs help students uncover these stories through
handling of objects and dynamic, engaging gallery activities

Meet the People
An interpretive presentation which introduces students to the lives of some fascinating people
who have made significant contributions to Australia as a nation. Students are then
encouraged to explore the galleries under the supervision of their teachers. Activity sheets
are available to help students discover further examples of active citizenship in Australian
history.

2.00pm    Lunch on the grounds of the Museum – teachers & students to supply their
3.00pm    Depart the Museum

Coach # 1 = 45 students + 2 teachers  Coach # 2 = 44 students + 2 teachers

3.00pm    Arrival time at the Schools entrance to the War Memorial
3.15pm    Australian War Memorial – teacher guided tour
4.00pm    Australian War Memorial – D-Zone
4.00pm    Depart The Mint
5.00pm    Depart the War Memorial
5.30pm    Mount Ainslie Lookout
6.00pm    Depart the Lookout and travel to your accommodation

6.20pm    Greenleigh Central Canberra Motel
Teachers accommodation is twin share
Students accommodation will be multi share accommodating 4-6 students and may up to 8
depending on final numbers.
All linen & towels are provided
The Motel is all ground floor

6.45pm    Dinner supplied by your accommodation
7.30pm    Depart your accommodation

Coach # 1 = 53 students + 2 teachers  Coach # 2 = 36 students + 2 teachers

8.00pm    Black Mountain Tower
9.00pm    Depart Black Mountain Tower and return to your accommodation

8.00pm    National Dinosaur Museum – Dinosaurs by night education program

9.30pm    Depart the Museum and return to your accommodation

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Day 2  Thursday 9 August 2012

7.00am  Breakfast supplied by your accommodation
8.00am  Depart your accommodation

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<td>10.00am  Electoral Education Centre at Old Parliament House – education program</td>
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<td>12 noon  National Capital Exhibition Centre at Regatta Point – self guided tour</td>
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<td>1.00pm  Lunch on the grounds of the Centre supplied by Food on the Run</td>
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<td>1.40pm  Depart the Centre and drop off half your group at Old Parliament House on the way to the Mint</td>
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Parliament House
A visit to Parliament House engages and challenges students while they learn about Australia’s representative democracy in the home of the federal Parliament

4.00pm  Tour of Parliament House
Parliamentary guides provide your school with free tours that include a visit to the Senate and House of Representatives chambers. All tours focus on the role and function of Australia’s federal Parliament.
When Parliament is sitting students are taken to sound-proof galleries above the chambers where they have the opportunity to ask questions and learn about parliamentary procedure.
When Parliament is not sitting tours may also highlight the building’s impressive architecture and aspects of the Parliament House Art collection

5.00pm  Parliamentary Role Play
The Parliamentary Education Office facilitates a range of one hour role play programs that explore how the Parliament makes decisions and accounts for those decisions. In role and acting as parliamentarians students learn about the role and functions of the federal Parliament by considering issues of national importance

6.00pm  Depart Parliament House

6.30pm  Dinner supplied by your accommodation
7.30pm  Depart your accommodation

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Day 3  Friday 10 August 2012

7.15am  Breakfast supplied by your accommodation

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8.00am  Load coach
8.30am  Depart your accommodation

9.15am  Morning tea on the grounds of Questacon supplied by Food on the Run

9.45am  Questacon – The National Science and Technology Centre
Kids love to visit Questacon because it is so much fun and teachers love taking them because it is packed with hands-on science activities.
At Questacon students can create music with a giant floor piano or test their sporting skills against Olympic athletes. There are also 300 million volts of caged lightning on display and a slippery 6.2m free fall down a slide for those who really want to face their fears.

11.45am  Depart Questacon

12.15pm  LUNCH on the grounds of the AIS supplied by Food on the Run

1.00pm  Australian Institute of Sport – guided tour + Sportex
Discover where Australia’s sporting champions are created with an elite athlete as your guide and tour the Australian Institute of Sport. Then experience Sportex – an interactive sports exhibition where students can take part in virtual rowing, riding, skiing, penalty soccer shootouts and more. Plus see amazing sporting memorabilia demonstrating our proud sporting nation and how important sport is to Australia’s culture.

2.30pm  Depart Canberra and return to school
comfort stop along the way

6.30pm  Arrival time back at Gerringong Public School