As part of the Year 2 Guided Inquiry on Australia’s –Past & Present, the children from all the classes will be attending a full day excursion to the wonderful Sovereign Hill attraction in Ballarat. The children will be travelling to Sovereign Hill on seat belted buses.

Sovereign Hill will give the children a visual comprehension of the lives and times of the early settlers and the conditions many immigrants would have faced when they migrated to Australia in the search for a better life. We will be making comparisons between daily life, past and present. The children will get an opportunity to explore the expansive site as well as partake in an education session.

As we will be travelling a longer distance than usual, we ask that children arrive at school by 8:15 to leave at 8:30 sharp, in order to maximise the time at Sovereign Hill. We will also be returning to school slightly later than the 3:30pm regular dismissal time. Please be aware of the departure and arrival times when dropping off and picking up your child.

### Important details:

- **Date:** Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of May.
- **Departure Time:** 8:30am sharp. Please be at school and lined up by 8:15am.
- **Arrival Time:** 3:45 - 4:00pm (approximately). We will call the school if we find we are going to be much later than this time.
- **Cost:** The cost of this excursion is included in the Excursion/Incursion payment. If you have not made payment, this must be done on or before Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of May.
- **Wear:** Full school uniform, hat and also a warm jacket in case Ballarat's unpredictable weather closes in. A plastic travel poncho would also be a handy item, these can be purchased at most ‘2 Dollar’ shops.
- **Food:** Please pack suitable snacks and lunches in a labelled strong plastic bag for your children, including water, as we will not be using the kiosk facilities. Children are not to bring any spending money.
- **Parent Helpers:** If you have a current Working with Children Card and are available to help on this excursion, please complete the reply slip attached and return to school by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May. Each grade can take three parent helpers, classes with an aide will take two parents only. Parents will be contacted if they are required to assist on the day or not.

We are really looking forward to this day, as I am sure the children are too. Please return the reply slip to your classroom teacher on or before Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of May as final numbers and itineraries must be finalised.

Thank you from the Year 2 Team.
Years 2 Sovereign Hill Reply Slip

The cost for this Excursion is part of the 2014 Excursion/Incursion payment. For those families who have not yet paid the Excursion/Incursion cost, payment is required prior to this activity. Please contact the office.

Please indicate if your child is taking any medication or has any medical condition that we should be aware of:

- **Anaphylaxis**
  - Yes / No – If Yes
  - Does your child have an Epi-pen at school? Yes / No

- **Asthma**
  - Yes / No – Does your child require medication? Yes / No

- **Other Conditions** Yes / No
  - Please add any relevant details ____________________________________________
  - ____________________________________________
  - ____________________________________________

I give permission for my child: _____________________________ in Year: ________

to take part in the excursion to the Sovereign Hill on Tuesday the 13th of May. I authorise the teacher in charge to consent, where it is impracticable to communicate with me, to my child receiving such medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary.

**Parent/Guardian Name:** _____________________________  **Date:** ___ / ___ / ___

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** ____________________________________________

**Contact number/s on the day:** _____________________________

Please tick if able to assist on the Excursion. ☐

All parents assisting on the day must have a current ‘Working with Children Card’.

(Please note, no toddlers are able to attend, and only three parents per class, two parents if your class has a teacher aide attending, is required).