

Whole School visit to Peel Forest – Friday 1 December 2017

Dear Parents/Caregivers and Students

This week, we are excited to give the children an opportunity to visit Peel Forest as part of our studies on special places to our school. We want the children to learn about the biodiversity of the area and identifying the flora and fauna. Room 3 are looking at man’s impact on the area and predators. We will all be visiting the Church of the Holy Innocence as well as having our school picnic.

We have planned the trip for Friday 1 December. We will leave school shortly after 9:30 am and leave at 2:15pm in time for the afternoon buses. Parents are invited to join us and are welcome to take their children home from there at the end of the day. We need an adult to child ratio of 1:5 for the walk in the forest and encourage as many parents as possible to join us for part or all of the day. Pre-schoolers are welcome, but we will not be able to count you as parent helper if you are looking after your own pre-school children.

Please complete the attached form and returned it to school by **Wednesday 29 November**. These forms will be carried on the trip. We plan to take our lunch to have at Clarke Flat at 12:30 so bring your picnic lunch and drink bottles please. Make sure your child/ren have a rain jacket, sensible walking shoes and a warm jersey.

Proposed timetable

- 9:00 Whole school meet and safety brief
- 9:30 Depart from school in all buses (room 3 + 4 in the big bus) and cars
- 10:00 room 1 + 2 arrive at Church of the Holy Innocence in the 2 smaller buses
- 10:00 room 3 & 4 walk and activities in Peel Forest (based from Clarke Flat)
- 11:00 room 1 & 2 travel to Te Wanahu flat for their walks and activities (Rm 2 Acland Falls)
- 11:30 room 3 & 4 arrive at the Church
- 12:30 **all students meet back together at Clarke Flat for school picnic** with our school families and community
- 1:30 games
- 2:15 buses back to school for those who need them.

Many thanks,
Jayne, Kay, Lesley, Pip and Desiree

Please fill out and return the attached slip by Wednesday 29 November, 2017.

I give consent for my child/ren _____ to attend the trip to Peel Forest on 1.12.2017

Signed _____ Name: _____

Name and Emergency Contact Phone (for that day) _____

I will parent help for room _____. I will be bring ____ pre-schoolers with me.

I will be attending the trip and can provide transport for ____ children including my own.

I will collect my children from Peel Forest – yes/no

Please email me if you have queries: jayne@carewpeelforest.school.nz