

VOICES ON THE COAST – YEARS 7 - 11

7 May 2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

Every year, a very special event is held on the Sunshine Coast: **'Voices on the Coast: a Youth Literature Festival'**.

'Voices on the Coast' offers students the opportunity to interact with published Australian authors and illustrators and learn from their experiences.

This year, we are inviting students from Years 7 - 11 who have displayed a talent and/or interest in reading, writing and illustrating to attend *'Voices on the Coast'*.

Students who participate in the festival will attend a series of lectures/question sessions with well renowned authors, as well as a hands-on writer's workshop.

Students will be transported by bus to and from the venue. The bus will depart the Secondary Bus Area at 8.30am and students are asked to be present at the bus area by 8.15am.

- When:** Thursday 18 July 2019
Where: University of the Sunshine Coast, Sippy Downs
Time: 8.15am - 2:45pm
Requirements: Students are required to wear full school uniform and bring their own morning tea and lunch with them. They will also be able to purchase food from the venue. Students will also need to bring a notepad and pen/pencil.
Cost: \$50
- **Invoices will be issued on receipt of the permission slip**
 - **Payment due by Wednesday 12 June 2019**
- Transport:** Bus - departing from and returning to the Secondary Bus Area.

Any student who has not paid their Student Resource Scheme Fees (SRS) and Subject Fees or entered a payment plan will not be able to attend the excursion. Those students who do not attend will be provided with alternate learning/assessment activities. If you wish to discuss a payment plan please contact Client Services on 5490 2666. Refund policy: Please note some excursion payments are non-refundable due to the nature of pre-payment of the event. If a parent/carer wishes to apply for a refund due to non-participation, please complete a 'Request for Refund' Form from Client Services. Please note, as per the College Driving Policy, students are not permitted to drive themselves to class-based activities. Any relevant changes to medical details or emergency contacts that are currently kept on record by the college should be updated immediately. This includes information on any recent medical conditions that may limit, or be aggravated by your student's participation in this activity. And also includes details on any medication currently being taken that might be relevant in a medical emergency. Please be aware that when involved in activities there is an inherent risk of physical injuries occurring without any negligence on the part of the school and in such circumstances the responsibility for the injury and any associated costs will rest with you and not the school. Parents are advised that the Department of Education and Training (DET) does not have Personal Accident Insurance cover for students. DET has public liability cover for all approved school activities and provides compensation for students injured at school only when the Department is negligent. If this is not the case, then all costs associated with the injury are the responsibility of the parent or carer. It is a personal decision for parents as to the type and level of private insurance they arrange to cover students for any accidental injury that may occur.

Meridan State College is excited to be able to offer this opportunity to your child.

Please fill in the permission form and return to Client Services **at the earliest convenience**.

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Bree Moyls on 5490 2730.

Yours faithfully,

Bree Moyls
Head of Department English

Mark Seijbel
Principal Secondary Campus

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Please fill in this form and return to Client Services at the earliest convenience.

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Cost: \$50

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Online (Bank Deposit and B Point) payments must be made 3 days prior to the Excursion payment cut-off date to allow accurate processing. The Permission Form must accompany Excursion payment. Students will not be included on the Excursion Roll without a signed permission form.

Refund Guidelines: All requests for refunds must be made within 30 days of the activity on the 'Request for Refund' form available from Client Services. It is preferred that refunds are processed on the student's account for use against future costs. If payment in advance is made by the College to the venue, no refund will be available. Transport costs may also be deducted from refunds due to our costing schedule.

Payment Conditions: As per the conditions of the Student Resource Scheme and Queensland Education policy, students participation in College activities such as excursions, camps and sport may be restricted if fees are not fully paid or an arrangement is not in place and up to date. Essential learning activities will not be restricted. Parents experiencing financial difficulty are encouraged to contact the College to discuss this.

Student Name: _____ Roll Class: _____

✓ Please indicate

- Yes, I do give permission for my child to attend the Voices on the Coast.
- NO, I do not give permission for my child to attend the Voices on the Coast.
- I have ensured that the College has current and accurate medical details and emergency contact details for my child. I authorise the teacher to seek appropriate medical assistance where deemed necessary.
- If participating in the Student Resource Scheme (SRS), I have paid the SRS in full, or entered a payment plan.
- I understand that students must abide by the College Responsible Behaviour Plan expectations.
- For the safety of your child it is the responsibility of the Parent/Guardian to ensure that the Medical Details and Emergency Contacts are correct and that any alterations are made before the excursion.
- I acknowledge that the Department of Education and Training does not have Personal Accident Insurance Cover for students.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ (please print name)

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Contact Telephone Number: _____

METHODS OF PAYMENT

Amount Paid: \$_____

(✓ please tick payment method)

- Cash
- Cheque
- EFTPOS
- Direct Deposit
- BPOINT
- Q Parents

COLLEGE DIRECT DEPOSIT BSB 064420
Account no: 10567850
DETAILS: Reference: Debtor ID & Invoice no/Description of payment
e.g.: Debtor ID/StudentName_Voices_onTheCoast

BPOINT:
Please call 1300 631 073
Biller Code: All phone payments are processed using BPOINT IVR (Interactive Voice Response)
You will need your CRN (Customer Reference Number) and Invoice Number from your invoice or statement.

QParents: <https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/login>
Access your invoices and make full or partial payments through the Q Parents website or download the App on your smart phone or tablet.