



# Manilla Central School

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Respect Grows and Flows



To support the Unit of Inquiry that 1/2 Opal are working through this Term, 'Past and Present Family Life', our class will be having a 'Colonial Day excursion' **on Tuesday 27th August**. Students are encouraged to come dressed in colonial-type clothing; however, I would like to stress that this has been planned with the intention of being of no cost to parents/carers. Students are encouraged to rummage through their cupboards and be creative with clothing that they already have.

In the morning session, students will visit the Manilla Heritage Museum to explore its artefacts. We will depart the school grounds after the roll is marked and will return to school between 1.00-1.40pm. The excursion will involve students walking to the museum and then to 'The Junction' for morning tea. On return to school, we will walk under the Manilla Viaduct and Manilla Viaduct Bridge as this will enable further discussion around our writing topics. We will also have a play at the Manilla Rotary Park.



This excursion will be of **no cost** to students and as general permission notes have been returned to school, no further permission is required. Students will be need to bring the following:

- Hat
- Drink bottle (essential)
- Packed food for Break 1 (no canteen orders)

On return to school students will step back-in-time in the classroom and experience a little taste of schooling in the 1800s. *For this day only*, the electricity will not be turned on in the classroom and technology will not play a role in the days learning. Instead, students will use mini blackboards and chalk to write with and will be exposed to a rote-learning style of teaching for the day. Students will also experience a back-straightening-board which was used on students who slouched, and finger stocks which were used on students who fiddled constantly...or picked their nose.

The 'Colonial Day' has been organised with the intention to expose students to schooling in the past and to help them understand the similarities and differences between the past and the present. Staff attending will include myself, Mrs Holzgal and Miss Emily McDonald. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding this.

Regards

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