

Home School Excursion Program

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Capacity and Program Limitations

To comply with Workplace Health and Safety regulations there is a maximum number of students that we can accommodate in the program. All changes to your booking must be managed through the bookings team via schools@thekids.org.au. A maximum of 64 students can be accommodated. We have a minimum number of 10 students for an excursion.

Due to limited space, it is recommended that your students leave any large bags at home. We also recommend that you minimise the number of belongings that you bring as we are unable to secure any valuables.

Working with Children Check

All staff and volunteers at The Kids Research Institute Australia, who will be working in direct contact with children, have a current 'Working with Children' check and a Police Clearance. It is the home school group's responsibility to ensure their volunteer supervisors have appropriate clearances for working with children.

Duty of Care

While The Kids Research Institute Australia staff will run the program with the students, duty of care remains the responsibility of the home school group. We encourage groups to bring as many supervisors as you feel necessary on an excursion to The Kids Research Institute Australia. Due to the nature of the excursion, **the minimum ratio for supervision is 1:10** for all year levels. However, to help students maximise their experience, we highly recommend the following supervision ratios:

1 : 6 – Year 3-4

1 : 8 – Year 5-6

Special Needs and Allergies

It is the responsibility of the group to advise The Kids Research Institute Australia if any students have any special needs or allergies. The Kids Research Institute Australia cannot guarantee a nut free environment.

Parental Consent

Telethon Kids takes no responsibility for any parental consent required for children to take part in the excursion session. The home school group takes responsibility for ensuring appropriate consent is sought prior to the excursion taking place.

Identification

There may be members of the public present in and around the Discovery Centre, as well as other parts of Perth Children's Hospital, as the visit is taking place. Please ensure that you select a suitable method for identifying your students. Wearing uniforms, name tags, badges, wrist bands or lanyards helps supervisors and The Kids Research Institute Australia staff to quickly identify excursion participants. Supervisors nominated by the home school group must remain with the students in their care at all times during the excursion.

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Price

Excursion duration: 2.5 hours

Maximum size per excursion session: 64 students (students will be split into 2 classes. Minimum size per excursion session: 10 students)

Price per student:

- **\$8.00 + GST per student, per session for 20 or more**
- **Less than 20 students per session: a flat fee of \$160 + GST applies**

Fees and Payment

Once we receive your initial enquiry and arrange a suitable date and time, you will be asked to complete a Booking Confirmation Form and a New Customer Request Form, if applicable, to secure your booking. At the time of making your booking, please provide an estimate of the number of students that will be attending. Your total excursion fees will be calculated based on the number that attend on the day.

We will contact you at least two weeks before the excursion date to confirm final numbers and the final invoice will be provided after your visit based on the number that visit that day. If there are any changes to be made to the booking, it is the responsibility of the organising parent or supervisor to contact The Kids Research Institute Australia at least two weeks prior to the date of the excursion.

Cancellation Policy

If you do decide to cancel the booking, please provide at least 30 days' notice so we can offer another group the opportunity to visit.

Unless there are exceptional circumstances, if you do not provide the required notice the home school group will be charged a \$100 cancellation fee. Home schools groups that do not provide any notice of cancellation and fail to attend on the day will be charged the total excursion fees as specified on the Booking Confirmation Form.

Safety

The Kids Research Institute Australia has \$20,000,000 Public Liability Insurance. A copy of our Public Liability Insurance certificate can be provided upon request.

The Kids Research Institute Australia Emergency Response Planning for home school groups involves:

- An emergency evacuation signal linked directly to the fire department
- Trained Fire Wardens responsible for clearing all public zones
- Evacuation routes which lead to a safe assembly area (our staff will lead you there)
- Clearly marked exits and fire hydrant locations

The Kids Research Institute Australia has a nominated and trained First Aid staff on duty at all times. It is suggested that supervisory teams have access to a list of names of participating students, contact telephone numbers, student medical information and relevant health information of supervisors. It is recommended that supervisory teams have access to a First Aid kit during the excursion.

In the event of an emergency evacuation, instructions will be issued over the public address system and directly from The Kids Research Institute Australia staff. Supervisory teams are responsible for managing the students to the safe assembly area. On arrival at the assembly area the supervisor-in-charge should inform the muster warden if all students are present.

Indemnity

By agreeing to these Terms & Conditions, the home school group agrees to indemnify and release The Kids Research Institute Australia against all actions, suits, claims, and demands (including costs) related to the excursion. This includes any actions, suits, claims, and demands (including costs) related to personal injury or property damage suffered by your students or supervisors while participating in the excursion.