

Study risk management form: Yarrangobilly Caves

Description: Yarrangobilly Caves are located near Kiandra in the Kosciuszko National Park. Students are usually taken to two caves, one with a guide and a self guided one where fieldwork is done. The students are in each cave for approx. 1 hr each. The caves have paths and steps for use by the general public. Temperatures are cold, average 10 degrees. There is no mobile phone coverage but the visitor centre has a phone.

Task/Activity	Hazard	Risk Assess.	Elimination or Control Measure
Travel by bus	Illness on bus trip; accident	1	REEC staff have current Senior First Aid qualifications. Asthma/diabetes students have medication on bus with them, not in luggage area. Student list to be carried on bus
Guided tour of cave	Dark, cold, steps	4	NPWS guide is with group. Guide takes group slowly through caves Students warned of cold temperatures and wear enclosed shoes.
Field study of self guided cave	Dark, cold, steps	4	Students work in small groups near the cave entrance Cave has normal visitor infrastructure of paths, steps, hand rails and lighting Student behaviour closely monitored by teachers
Swimming	Drowning; neck injury	1	Swimming only allowed in thermal pool, not river. Close supervision by teachers at all times Students warned not to dive/run in/around pool
People	Allergic reactions, asthma, diabetes	1	Schools give prior advice to EEC staff of student and staff medical conditions. Staff carry medical kit with Ventolin/ spacer, glucose and mobile phone. Student and/or teachers carry personal medication - EpiPen.

Risk Assessment Matrix	How likely is it to be serious				Note: risk management for the excursion is the responsibility of the school and teachers from the schools involved. This form is just for the activities and site.
How serious could the injury be?	Very likely	likely	Unlikely	Very unlikely	
Death or permanent disability	1	1	2	3	
Long term illness or serious injury	1	2	3	4	
Medical attention and several days off	2	3	4	5	
First aid needed	3	4	5	6	

Welfare Information Return

Riverina Environmental Education Centre

Please notify the centre of any students (**first name only**) with the following welfare concerns. This information will be used to assist us with the safe management of students whilst at the centre. (**This information will be kept confidential and the form destroyed after the visit**):

- Students who have asthma, allergies, diabetes or other medical conditions.
- Students with physical disabilities such as broken limbs or use wheelchairs.
- Students with behaviour concerns.

School	Date of Visit	Study	
		Alpine	
Student Name		Welfare Concern	

Teacher: _____ Signature: _____

Principal: _____ Signature: _____

Please fax or post this form back to the centre as soon as possible. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

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