

Epping North OSHCP

Excursion Risk Assessment

Excursion Details			
Dates of excursion	13th July 2023	Excursion destination:	Stardust Circus Rosehill
Departure and Arrival Times	Leaving centre approx 10:00am, arriving back at approx 2:15pm		
Proposed Activities	Children to watch circus performance	Water Hazards?	Yes/ No
		If yes, detail in risk assessment below	
Method of transport, including proposed route and seatbelts (if applicable)	Bus, route attached. Seatbelts to be worn where fitted on bus.		Estimated Duration of Trip: 20 mins
Name of RPD	Kareena Simpson	Contact Number of RPD	02 9868 5690
Number of children attending excursion	Estimated: 70 Actual:	Number of educators/parents/volunteers	Estimated: 8 Actual:
Educator to child ratio, including whether this excursion warrants a higher ratio? Please provide details.	1:10 Ratio as per normal excursion ratio- no higher staffing requirements needed.		
Educators on excursion (Names):	Educator Training:	Educators Contact Details (to be completed on staff copy of RA only):	Educators to Sign once they have read & understood the Risk Management Plan:
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Plan Prepared By:	Megan Brook	Date Prepared: 16/06/2023	Date Visited: 15/6/223 (Megan Brook)
Additional Venue Information:	Yes-attached/ No		
Reminder: Monitor the effectiveness of controls and change if necessary. Review the risk assessment if an incident or significant change occurs.			
Excursion Checklist			

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack First Aid Kits incl tissues, hand sanitiser, sick bags | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIOR Excursion hats worn by each child |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack Roll of Children attending excursion and contact numbers | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIOR All children checked for food applicable and full water bottle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack List of Medical information for each child attending excursion | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIOR Wristbands to be worn by all children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack Camera + Mobile phone with battery | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIOR Conduct Roll call prior to excursion and give instructions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack Medication and Action Plans for each child with a Medical Condition | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIOR check permission notes are signed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack Sunscreen | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIOR Put children into groups if necessary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack walkie talkies (1 per educator) | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIOR Centre Phone on divert to RPD mobile (*21phonenumber #)
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Activity	Hazard identified	Risk assessment (use Matrix)	Elimination/control measures	Who	When	Residual Risk Rating
General	Lost Child	Extreme	All children will wear excursion hat and wristband whilst on the excursion.	Educators to organise wristbands and check children have yellow hat	Hats and wristbands to be worn by each child before departing the OOSH building.	Moderate
General	Sun Burn, Heatstroke, dehydration, Extreme hot weather etc.	Extreme	<p>UV rating will be checked prior to excursion commencing. Children will be required to employ sun safe practices consistent with UV rating, as is required in centre</p> <p>Children and staff will be expected to wear hats at all times when outdoors. Children will put their hats on before leaving the OOSH building. Children without a hat will be given one from the Centre.</p> <p>Children will be checked for drink bottles and asked to ensure all are filled prior to the excursion. Any child without water will be given a sealed pre-purchased water bottle by staff before commencement of excursion. Children will be given regular drink breaks throughout the day to ensure they remain hydrated.</p> <p>Where the weather places children at risk that RPD / NS / Committee believe cannot be mitigated appropriately, the excursion will be cancelled</p>	<p>Educators and children</p> <p>Children-directed by Educators</p> <p>Educators</p> <p>RPD / NS to make early decision COB day prior, then final decision morning of excursion</p>	<p>Prior to leaving Centre / as part of daily WHS check</p> <p>Before departure and reminders throughout the day.</p> <p>Prior to leaving the Centre</p> <p>early decision to be made COB day prior to excursion, final decision on morning of excursion</p>	

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			Sunscreen will be applied to each child, where permission has been given & UV 3 or above.	Educators	Before leaving the service. To be reapplied every two hours throughout the day.	
General	Wet Weather	Moderate	Children will be reminded to bring their wet weather gear on the excursion. Where possible, the centre will provide wet weather gear, such as umbrellas. When there is wet weather, Educators will direct children to use their wet weather gear for any outdoor time on the excursion	Children, directed by educators	During briefing, prior to excursion, and whilst on excursion	Low
			Parents will be reminded to pack wet weather gear before excursions.	Educators and Parents	Prior to excursion.	Low
General	Toilet Supervision	Moderate	Staff are to inspect toilets before use, to check if safe and all-clear before children use them. Children will be notified of the location of the toilets before activity commences. Staff will ensure children go together minimum as pairs, and where practical, in groups of 3.	Children and Educators	On arrival at the venue and then throughout the day before group use by children.	Low

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General- multiple Educators on Excursion	Serious injuries to a child	Moderate	Where a child has a serious injury, one staff member will render first aid, whilst the others move the other children away and ensure adequate supervision. Where an ambulance is required to be called, the staff member will notify the RPD, and the venue staff who will assist in calling the ambulance. Where a staff member leaving in an ambulance then compromises our child to staff ratio, and the activity is deemed unsafe with the number of remaining educators, the children will immediately be returned to the centre.	Children and Educators	During excursion	Low
General- multiple Educators on Excursion	Serious injury to a staff member	Moderate	Where a staff member has a serious injury, one staff member will render first aid, whilst the others move the children away and ensure adequate supervision. Where an ambulance is required to be called, the staff member will notify the RPD, and the venue staff who will assist in calling the ambulance. Where a staff member leaving in an ambulance then compromises our child to staff ratio, and the activity is deemed unsafe with the number of remaining educators, the children will immediately be returned to the centre	Educators	During excursion	Low
Riding on Bus	Injury from sudden braking	High	Children will be reminded to sit while travelling on the bus and to face towards the direction of travel	Educators	During Excursion	Low

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Riding on Bus	Boarding and Disembarking off bus	Extreme	Educators will count children on and off the bus to ensure the headcount is correct and matches the total head count of the children on the excursion. Responsible Person on Duty to ensure head count is correct. Number of educators will also be accounted for to ensure all educators are present and ratios are being met. An educator will perform a sweep check of the bus to ensure no children, or belongings are left on the bus.	Educators	As children and educators embark and disembark from the bus.	High
Riding on Bus	Bus breakdown	Low	Where a bus breaks down, the children will remain on the bus until another bus is organized, Once the replacement bus arrives, the children will swap busses. Where remaining on the bus is considered dangerous (due to heat or mechanical reasons), the RPD will locate a safe area to have the children wait for the new bus to arrive.	Children and Educators	During excursion	Low
Riding on Bus	Bus Accident	High	<p><i>If the accident is not serious:</i> On regular road keep children safe by staying on the bus if it is safe to do so.</p> <p>If not, move children to a safe location on footpath or a grass area that is safe and protected from oncoming traffic.</p> <p><i>If the accident is serious:</i> Move those able to walk away from the scene of the accident to a safe location. This will need to be assessed at the time.</p>	Educators and Children directed by Educators	During excursion	Low

Activity	Hazard identified	Risk assessment (use Matrix)	Elimination/control measures	Who	When	Residual Risk Rating
			<p>Assess casualties and administer first aid as best you can until emergency help arrives.</p> <p>Call '000' and cooperate with emergency services at all times. At least one Educator (if possible) to accompany children to hospital until parents arrive.</p> <p>Contact centre and Manager as soon as possible. – Educators at service will begin contacting parents</p> <p>Keep children safe by staying on the bus if it is safe to do so.</p>			
Circus Tent	Entry to tent-crowding at entrance	Moderate	<p>Educators to follow instructions of the circus representastives and direct childrn in an orderly fashion</p> <p>Educators to spread out evenly amongst the group to ensure children are moving and do not obstruct the entrance</p>	Educators	During Excursion	Low
Circus Tent	Children tripping due to inappropriate lighting	High	<p>Children will be reminded to walk carefully and watch where they are going.</p> <p>Educators will use torches on their phones to provide additional lighting if required</p> <p>Cables running across the ground are covered and all other cables are above head height and unable to be touched</p> <p>Children to be escorted to the toilet during show by educators</p> <p>Children will be encouraged to stay seated during the show</p>	Educators and Children	During Excursion	Moderate

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Circus Performance	Children become distressed by content of the show	Moderate	Educators will space themselves so children can easily access an educators attention. Educators positions will be made known to the children before the show starts	Educators	During Excursion	Low
			Children will be made aware that the option to take a break is available. Educators will escort children out if they need a break or become too distressed			
General	Child Protection	High	Children will never be left alone with members of the public without supervision. All Educators hold WWCC as do venue staff, and Bus driver.	Educators	During Excursion	Low

Risk Benefit Analysis

Risk	Benefit
* Tripping/falling injury	* Emerging interests in new recreational skills
* Sunburn, heatstroke, dehydration, extreme weather, wet weather etc	* Development of social skills & expected behaviours when with other people of the community
* Lost Child	* Relaxation and Recreation
* Child Protection issues with members of the public	* Peer bonding
* Children become distressed by content of the show	*Extension idea on current children's interests of diablos, juggling, gymnastics etc.

Risk Matrix

		Consequence				
		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
Likelihood	Almost certain	Moderate	High	High	Extreme	Extreme
	Likely	Moderate	Moderate	High	Extreme	Extreme
	Possible	Low	Moderate	High	High	Extreme
	Unlikely	Low	Low	Moderate	High	High
	Rare	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High

Pick Up Location: Boundary Rd, Outside Epping North OSHCP
Drop Off Location: Field behind corner of James Ruse Drive and Grand Avenue

