Canberra Tour

At the conclusion of Week 3, Term 4, all Year 6 boys will be participating in a school tour to Canberra. This tour is set to be a rewarding experience for all staff and students. The tour is a compulsory part of the school curriculum, and the cost is included in your 2023 school fees.

To assist with our Canberra Tour processes, all parents/guardians need to ensure their son's <u>Consent2Go</u> medical details are up to date. This will assist us to plan and manage your son's Canberra experience and must be completed no later than **22 September 2023**.

Staff Attending

A total of 15 staff from Christ Church Grammar School will be attending. The staff attending: Steven Males, Kim Morcom, Ryan Gowland, Jack Utting, Jasmine Jeffs, Steve O'Driscoll, Laura Heuer, Sam Healy, Maggie Westbrook, Grant Haggerty, Brady Leckie, Daniela Chacon, Rachael Durston, Tiffany Hoad and Joanna Simpson (School Clinical Nurse Manager).

Accommodation

Canberra Student Lodge, 101 Hennessy Street, Belconnen

Flight details

Sunday 29 October Qantas QF856 Depart Perth T3/T4 at 11.30am

(Arrive at 9.00am)

Arrive in Canberra at 6.20pm

Thursday 2 November Qantas QF857 Depart Canberra at 7.00pm

Arrive in Perth T3/T4 at 9.40pm

Educational background

The objectives of the Canberra Tour are for all the boys to participate in a range of activities that relate to the curriculum covered in Year 6, with a focus on Federal Government and National perspectives of Australia. Each day the boys will visit a range of locations, providing them with opportunities to engage and participate in activities that are both interactive and reflective. Additionally, the Canberra Tour will provide the boys an opportunity to develop their independence as part of the broader rites of passage program across the School. Boys will experience first-hand a link to classroom content and develop a greater awareness of Australian history, identity, and institutions synonymous with Australia.

Your son has had a briefing session about Canberra, where he received information regarding the Canberra Tour, with a focus on specific venues and locations that the boys

will visit whilst in Canberra. We will continue to brief the boys with information about the expectations and specific details relating to the daily program. We will announce the groups and introduce the staff leaders early in Term 4.

General information

Below is a summary of some of the information the boys will be told as a guide for you as parents and guardians:

- **No electronic devices**: including mobile phones and smart watches.
- A small backpack is required for daily activities and boarding the plane.
- Boys are required to wear their CCGS sport uniform (Tracksuit) when flying to Canberra, as this uniform assists in identifying the boys in public.
- Please be at the airport at 9.00am for the group check-in.
- Boys may bring up to \$100 spending money for **souvenirs** and **gifts**.
- All boys will be wearing School formals on at least one occasion.
- All boys will arrive back at **9.40pm** on Thursday, 2 November. Boys need to be collected from Domestic T3/T4 after having their name checked off by their classroom teacher.
- Please refer to the list below for all requirements.

Importantly, the boys are representing Christ Church Grammar School while we are away. We have high expectations of the way students conduct themselves in this environment and will assist the boys to meet these expectations.

Thank you for updating your son's medical information via Consent2go. This information will be used to assist us throughout the tour. Our school nurse oversees dispensing all medication throughout the tour. Please deliver any required medication in a webster pack with detailed instructions to the class teacher by **Thursday 26 October** prior to the tour.

We have noticed a sense of excitement among the Year 6 boys as they begin to talk about Canberra. We encourage you to join us in helping your son prepare for what will undoubtedly be a rewarding experience.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your son's teacher in the first instance. We look forward to seeing you at the Sundowner.

Yours sincerely

Kim Morcom

Deputy Head (Pastoral)

Requirements for Year 6 Canberra Tour

Below is a checklist for the Canberra Tour that will help you with packing (please ensure all items are labelled).

Checklist (Canberra Tour 2023)	✓
School blazer	
School tie	
School jumper	
White School shirt	
Grey School shorts	
School socks	
Black School shoes	
School sports uniform to be worn at the airports	
School hat	
2 pairs good casual pants (may be jeans)	
1 x pair of shorts	
3 x good casual tops	
1 pair casual closed-in shoes	
2 x warm casual jumpers, jackets or tops	
1 x waterproof jacket	
5 x pairs of socks (not including School socks) and 5 x	
underwear	
1 x Empty water bottle (essential)	
Toiletries including any medicines	
Pyjamas	
Plastic bag for dirty clothes	
\$100 spending money	
Small bag (day bag or backpack) with pencils, reading	
material, cards or puzzles for the flight (no sharp objects)	
Travel bag (luggage) with name tag	