

10 July 2023

Dear Parents and Parent Liaisons.

RE: Year 7 Sovereign Hill Excursion

To support our Year 7 students with their study of Australian History, and as an immersive introduction to our Term 3 Humanities learning unit 'Notable Australians', we have scheduled a day-trip excursion for our Year 7 cohort to **Sovereign Hill**. This excursion is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday 18 July, 7:30 am – 5:00 pm.**

Important information:

- Departure from School will be at 7:30 am, travelling to Ballarat by coach.
- Return to School from Ballarat will be for 5:00pm pick-up.
- Correct AGS sports uniform is to be worn for the excursion
- Students should bring a packed lunch (or money to purchase from one of the available food vendors on-site), sunscreen and a hat, a full water bottle, and any essential medications (such as asthma pump or EpiPen)
- Students will be accompanied by relevant Year 7 teaching staff

Outline of excursion schedule and learning activities:

Time	Activity	Location
7:30am	Arrival at school (meet on basketball courts)	AGS
8:00am	Depart school, travel to Sovereign Hill by coach	Sovereign Hill
10:00am	Arrive Sovereign Hill	Sovereign Hill
10:30am	Gold Panning	Sovereign Hill
	'Goldrush Immigration' education session	
	'Secret Chamber' gold mine tour	
	Lunch	
	 Eating packed lunch or students bring money to purchase from available food outlets 	
2:00pm	Gold pour demonstration (20min) and final free time on-site	Sovereign Hill
3:00pm	Depart Sovereign Hill, travel to AGS by coach	Sovereign Hill
5:00pm	Dismissal from AGS	AGS

If you have any questions about the excursion, please don't hesitate to contact me via email at $\underline{jsi@ags.vic.edu.au}$

Yours sincerely,

James Smith Head of EHASS