Dear parent or caregiver,

Year 3 will be going on an excursion to **Symbio Animal Park** on **Thursday March 29, 2012**.

This excursion has been planned to supplement units of work being done in the classroom. In order to participate in this activity, the students need to be able to demonstrate appropriate behaviour whilst at school. Our Year 3 students have been provided with clear instructions about what constitutes appropriate behaviour, which includes the need for respect, responsibility and safety at school. The students clearly understand that if they choose to behave inappropriately, they may be excluded from the excursion. Parents/Caregivers will be contacted in the week prior to the excursion if behaviour is a concern.

The cost of the excursion is **$20.00**. If the cost of this excursion will cause your family undue financial hardship, please contact Mrs Wilkinson on 42728730 to make alternate payment arrangements. Any enquiries will be treated with the strictest confidence.

The group will **depart** from Unanderra Public School at **9:30am** and **return** to school before **2:30pm**.

Travel will be by bus with seatbelts and air conditioning.

All staff members of Unanderra Public School have received CPR training. Staff will be equipped with mobile phones and first aid kits.

**Accompanying staff are:** Miss Ruddman, Mrs Simpson and Mr Bennett

**Dress/excursion requirements:**
- School Uniform
- Closed (comfortable) footwear must be worn
- Hats preferably wide brimmed must be worn
- Sunscreen should be applied before coming to school
- Students should bring sunscreen to be reapplied during the day
- Sufficient drinks to prevent dehydration
- Appropriate lunch and recess packed in a small backpack
- Insect repellent if your child **suffers from allergies to insect bites**.

Students will not require any spending money on this excursion.

**Risks associated with this activity have been identified to include:**
- Vehicle accident, uneven surfaces, allergic reaction to animals, plants and insects, wind/sun burn and dehydration.

If you would like your child to participate in this activity, which has been approved by the Principal, please return your completed consent form and the sum of **$20.00 on or before Friday March 23, 2012**.

**Please bear in mind, school receipting days are Wednesdays and Fridays.**

Karen Mitchell
Excursion Coordinator
Unanderra Public School
Excursion Consent and Health Details

I do / do not consent to …………………………………….. participating in an excursion to Symbio Animal Park on Thursday March 29, 2012.

Does your child suffer from any medical condition? (asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, travel sickness, etc.) Please note any details of the medical management program that the teachers may need to be aware.

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Give details of any medication that your child will need dispensed during this excursion:

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Give details of any allergy your child has to common foods, plants, insect bites, medication etc.

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In what year was your child last immunised against tetanus? ___________ Is there any other information we may need to be aware of, that may impact on any of the activities to be undertaken during this excursion?

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Medicare Number: ________________________

Privacy notice

The information provided on ______ by _________________________ (carer’s name) is being obtained for the purpose of ascertaining relevant medical information, requirements and other health care related needs about _________________________ (student’s name) who is currently enrolled at the school and who may participate in school excursions, sporting activities or other educational or school activities conducted by or in conjunction with the Environmental Education Centre. It will be used by officers of the NSW Department of Education and Training to assist planning, to support students, and to minimise risks when conducting school excursions, sporting or other school activities.

Other persons or agencies that may be provided with this information include, but are not limited to, volunteers and members of external organisations who join with the school or are otherwise involved in the planning or delivery of the excursion, sporting or other school activity; and persons that may be called upon to provide health care treatment or other assistance during or as a consequence of such excursions or activities.

Provision of this information is not required by law. However, a failure to provide the information may mean that your child can not participate in a particular excursion or school activity. In such circumstances the school will make available a sound alternative educational experience.

Provision of this information will significantly assist the school in planning a safer educational activity. It will be stored securely. If you have any concerns about provision of this information, please contact the school principal to discuss further.

You may correct any personal information provided at any time by contacting the school office.

Signature of Parent/Guardian______________________________________________

Dated:___________________

Please return this form and money by Friday March 23, 2012