To: Parents / Carers of Year 8 students,

There are two options for the students in Year 8 at Coffs Harbour High School during the 4 day Excursion Program being held from Tuesday 19th October to Friday 22nd October.

**OPTION 1  Mee-Bunn-Bia Excursion (near Rathdowney, Qld).**

**Activities and Accommodation**
The theme of the Mee-Bunn-Bia excursion is “Challenge by Choice”. The excursion aims to provide quality outdoor experiences, personal challenge and team development for all participants. Activities are designed to stretch the mental, physical and social skills of both individuals and groups. Trust, self-confidence, independence and co-operation are enhanced by this excursion. Mee-Bunn-Bia is essentially an “outdoor” adventure experience. In addition students have the task of organising their own shelters (using materials provided).

**Travel**
Northland Bus Company leaves from CHHS on Tuesday 19th October at 6:00am. (Stop at Casino for breakfast). Return on Friday 22nd October (Stop for swim at Kyogle Swimming Pool from 3:00 to 3:45pm) and return to Coffs Harbour at 6:30pm.

**Staff**
Mr C. Hundle (Year 8 Adviser), Kathy Steward (Deputy Principal) and other staff from C.H.H.S.

**Total Cost**
$315 (includes $50 non-refundable component payable by Friday 28th May). This consists of $245 Mee-Bunn-Bia component, $65 bus, $3 swimming pool and $2 administrative costs. A suggested payment plan is as follows:

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If payment of this amount will cause extreme financial difficulty, or you have any other questions regarding the excursion, please contact Mr Hundle or the Head Teacher Welfare Mr Smith. We would not want any child to miss out because of financial reasons. Normal Student Assistance application criteria will apply.

**OPTION 2  In School Program**

This will involve the students being at school each day involved in a well-balanced program for the four days that includes academic work up until lunch and then a series of alternative, learning opportunities after lunch.

**Please Note:** It is compulsory for all Year 8 students to participate in one of the above options.

C.Hundle  (*Co-ordinator and Year Advisor*)  

P. Kearns  (*Principal*)

Please keep this page for future reference.
My child will participate in the following program during week 2 term 4 (tick either box).

☐ Option 1: Attend the Mee-Bunn-Bia Excursion
☐ Option 2: Attend the In School Program

I understand that all students are expected to be in attendance for the full duration of the program.

Student Name: ____________________________
Parent Signature: ____________________________
Date:           /           / 2010
Contact Phone Numbers:   (Home): _____________________
                                                                              (Work): _____________________
                                                                              (Mobile): ____________________

Once all permissions slips have been collected and collated, the students intending to participate in the Mee-Bunn-Bia excursion will be issued with further information regarding the excursion.