



Bacchus Marsh  
Grammar

**Staughton Vale Campus 2023 Program**  
**Year 8 Geography**

Dear **Parents/Guardians**,

Your child will be involved in the Staughton Vale Middle School Program at the Staughton Vale Campus in 2023. It is a unique outdoor learning environment that provides the opportunity for students to engage in hands on activities that are challenging, expand their knowledge of food sustainability/security, and connect them with the natural environment. Students will be immersed in rich learning experiences that support and enhance the curriculum taught in Year 8.

**Staughton Vale Campus**

The Staughton Vale Campus is situated at 155 Staughton Vale Road, Staughton Vale, on the fringe of the Brisbane Ranges National Park near Anakie and consists of over 200 acres of fertile pastures, orchards, dams and natural forest.

**Program**

Year 8 students will travel to the campus 3 times over the course of the year. The second experience will focus on developing Geography field skills. Students will participate in 3 activities with their Geography teacher, designed to help them learn how to collect and present data. Moving around the property, they will explore the factors that influence crop production at Staughton Vale now and in the future. Activities include:

- Mapping the terrain,
- Investigating soil quality, and
- Investigating climate change impacts

**Date:** **Monday 29 May** **8C** (Nick Armstrong) **8D** (Daine Johnston) **8E** (Shane Stephenson)

**Transport:** Students will leave Bacchus Marsh Grammar at 9.00am by bus and return in the afternoon for normal dismissal at 3.20pm.

**Uniform and Equipment:**

Students will be required to wear PE uniform with either runners or hiking boots (if they have them). The following equipment is required for day trip to Staughton Vale.

- BMG Waterproof jacket
- BMG Sports Jumper and tracksuit pants
- Sunscreen and hat
- Full water bottle
- Morning tea and packed lunch (preferably packaging free to help reduce waste to landfill)
- Pencil case, workbook and clipboard



*\*\*All students attending are required to have their Student ID card for logging on/off the bus\*\**  
*\*\*It is recommended that all students 8 years and over wear a fitted face mask whilst travelling on public transport (this includes to and from school, excursions, and camps) unless they have a medical exemption\*\**

Please complete the attached consent form no later than **Monday 22 May 2023.**

Yours sincerely,

David Gorton  
**Director of Student Engagement**  
**Head of Staughton Vale**

Scott Bayne  
**Assistant Principal:**  
**Head of Middle School**



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I hereby give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of Year \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the activities at Staughton Vale, to be transported via bus and participate in the planned activities.

- ☐ In the event of illness or accident, and where it is impractical to communicate with me, I authorise my child's receiving such medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary. I accept responsibility for payment of any expenses thus incurred.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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