Variation to Routines (VTRs) which incorporate Excursions and Incursions

As educators we know the importance of learning by experience and our staff endeavour to incorporate Variation to Routines (VTRs) into the academic program where there is value in doing so.

Examples of these may typically include our program of worship at St. Thomas’ Anglican Church, class excursions, Mock Trial, Performing Arts performances, sporting activities, representing the School at public events (ie ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day), overnight, outdoor education, curriculum activities and before and after school activities. This does not include Work Experience.

St Columba Anglican School has developed policies to manage the risks associated with school VTRs and to make VTRs as safe as possible and as such, all Workplace Health and Safety Policies and Student Duty of Care Policies continue to apply.

If you have any concerns regarding arrangements for these VTRs please contact me at your convenience.

Please refer below to the Risk Warning Statements in relation to School activities. It is hoped that these steps will allow our staff to plan VTRs in the knowledge that all students will be attending and gaining from the educational experience.

Yours faithfully

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RISK WARNING UNDER SECTION 5M OF THE CIVIL LIABILITY ACT 2002
SPORTING ACTIVITIES
ON BEHALF OF ST COLUMBA ANGLICAN SCHOOL

St Columba Anglican School administers/convenes/participates in sporting activities eg inter-school and before and after school sporting activities in which many students, including students of this school, participate. While St Columba Anglican School takes measures to make the sporting activities safe as possible for participants, there is a risk that students can be injured and suffer loss (including financial loss) and damage as a result of their participation in these sporting activities, whether at training or in actual events. Injury can occur while the student is engaging in or watching a sporting activity, or traveling to and from the event. The injury may result from a student’s actions or the actions of others.

On some occasions, an injury can be serious (such as torn ligaments, dislocations, back injuries, concussion or broken bones). In very rare cases the injury can be life threatening or result in permanent disability. If a student has a pre-existing injury, participating in a sporting activity could result in an exacerbation of the injury. Students could also suffer loss as a result of their personal property being lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

RISK WARNING UNDER SECTION 5M OF THE CIVIL LIABILITY ACT 2002
NON-SPORTING ACTIVITIES
ON BEHALF OF ST COLUMBA ANGLICAN SCHOOL

St Columba Anglican School administers/convenes/participates in certain activities such as debating, mock trial, bands, ensembles, choir, outdoor education and curriculum excursions, inter-school and before and after school activities and other relevant activities in which many students, including students of this school, participate. While St Columba Anglican school takes measures to make the activities as safe as possible for participants, there is a risk that students can be injured and suffer loss (including financial loss) and damage as a result of their participation in these activities, whether at practice or in actual events.

Injury can occur while the student is engaging in or watching an activity, or traveling to and from the event. The injury may result from a student’s actions or the actions of others.

In very rare cases the injury can be life threatening or result in permanent disability.

Students could also suffer loss as a result of their personal property being lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.