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Lady Elliot Island Expression of Interest 2023

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Year 10 Oceans Alive students have the opportunity to attend an **optional** excursion to Lady Elliot Island. This excursion will be based on the modules 'Marine Ecology' and 'Snorkelling'. Lady Elliot Island offers one of the most unique experiences on the Great Barrier Reef. The island is renowned to be one of the best spots in Australia for snorkelling. The island itself is located at the southern tip of the Great Barrier Reef.

The island is part of a 'Green No Take' zone on the Great Barrier Reef which is one of the highest protection zones. There are a limited amount of people allowed on the island each day to ensure minimal impact to the environment and a premium experience is provided to all visitors.

Students will travel by plane from Sydney to Harvey Bay and then by seaplane to Lady Elliot Island. Students will be accompanied by 4 supervising teachers.

This excursion is extremely popular and we are only able to take **20 students** on this trip. To ensure these places are allocated equitably selection on this trip will be based on a **ballot draw** which will include any student that has **submitted an Expression of Interest form** by the required date. The students drawn from the ballot will be notified on Monday 27th March 2023 and will then have until Wednesday 6th April to pay a \$100 deposit to secure their position or we will move to our reserve list which will also be drawn from the ballot.

To be eligible to participate in this excursion students must have:

- completed the marine safety training Term 1 2023
- a record of excellent behaviour across all subjects
- all Ocean Alive assessment tasks completed and submitted on/before the due date

Dates of trip: Friday 8th December – Monday 12th December 2023

Anticipated cost of trip: Between \$1400 and \$1600.

Expression of Interest due date: Friday 24th March 2023

Deposit due date: \$100 to be paid by Wednesday 5th April 2023

If you require further information or have any enquiries, feel free to contact the school on (02) 95437000

J. Stanley
Relieving Principal

A. Perkins
Excursion Coordinator

A. Hanna
Head Teacher

Expression of Interest form: (Please return to Miss Perkins)

My child _____ of class _____ would like the opportunity to attend Year 10 Oceans Lady Elliot Island Excursion in 2023. I understand that students will be selected by random by ballot and that completing this form **does not guarantee** my child a spot on this trip.

Signed: _____ Parent/Caregiver Date: _____