Dear Parents,

Re: General Consent for Activities and Local Excursions

For sometime, the School has been reviewing the complex process for parents to grant permission for students to participate in regular, local school activities and excursions.

In discussion with the Headmaster, the decision has been made to streamline the procedure along the following lines.

Regular and Local Activities and Excursions

General consent will be sought at the beginning of each year for those events and activities that are regular, local and related to the curriculum. These include the Life Education Van, visiting presentations such as Musica Viva, CSIRO Science days, various performing arts troupes, presentations of educational value, class and sporting outings within the general area of Armidale and its surrounds. The costs for such excursions (excluding annual excursion week – Years 3, 4 and 5) are included in the Classroom Resource/Events Levy which will be charged to the school account once a term (see fee schedule in end of term mailout).

All information relating to these events will be advertised ahead of time where possible in TAS Talks and your child’s weekly note home, and will include the following information where available:

1. Type and purpose of activity
2. Location and transport required
3. Date and timings
4. Teachers attending and their contact information

If you wish for your child NOT to attend the activity, or have any enquiry, this should be directed to your classroom teacher and to junior@as.edu.au for follow up.

Major Activities and Excursions

More significant excursions will require specific consent. In particular, for the purpose of updating medical information or where greater detail of information is deemed necessary, a Consent Form will be emailed to parents. However, its return will be required before
attendance is permitted. Such excursions will include the major class excursions for Years 3, 4 and 5 during excursion week, or other activities, which are irregular, or not part of our yearly calendar. Again, the costs for such excursions will be debited to your school account.

The General Consent Form has been attached to this email and I ask that you return it in hard copy, or electronically to junior@as.edu.au. We anticipate this system will be more agreeable and workable for all involved and I welcome your feedback.

Yours sincerely,

Ian Lloyd

Mr Ian Lloyd
Head of Junior School