Dear parents/carers,

Re: Auburn Gallipoli Mosque Excursion

On Monday March 6th and Tuesday March 7th Year 11 will visit the Auburn Gallipoli Mosque in Sydney. We cannot attend this excursion as a whole year group due to our large numbers. All Studies of Religion 2 Unit and Studies of Religion 1 Unit 3 & 4 will be attending on the Monday and all of Catholic Studies and Studies of Religion 1 Unit 1 & 2 will attend on the Tuesday.

This excursion:

- provides an enriching cultural experience aimed at promoting understanding and harmony
- provides a valuable interfaith experience where students learn about Islam and its rich tradition
- helps break down incorrect stereotypes about people of Muslim faith
- provides a deeper understanding of Islam tailored to Year 11 Studies of Religion students.

Our students will be addressed by an expert on the major aspects of the world’s second largest faith tradition.

Students are to be at the college by 8am. We expect to return to school by 2.55pm.

Students need to bring morning tea, a notebook and pen for note taking.

Students will enjoy a delicious Turkish lunch at the famous Mado Café.

Since the mosque is to be respected as the “House of God” and hence it is a sacred place for Muslims, visitors and worshipers are required to dress modestly. The students are asked to wear stockings instead of socks with correct summer uniform. They must also bring a head scarf.

Please complete the slip below and return it to your daughter’s Religion teacher by Wednesday March 1st.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this excursion.

Yours faithfully,

Nicole Harrison
Religious Education Leader of Learning
Auburn Gallipoli Mosque Excursion

Permission Note:  Please return this note to your daughter’s Religion teacher by Wednesday March 1st.

I give permission for my daughter _________________________________ to attend the excursion to the Auburn Gallipoli Mosque.

In an emergency I can be contacted on ____________________________ (parent contact number)

Please inform us of any dietary requirements or allergies:

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Signed: _____________________________  Date: ____________

Parent/Carer