



Behaviour on outings, tours, trips and other extra-curricular activities.

To enhance the learning experience of our students in Dunmore Community School, various out of school trips are organised. The school recognises the benefits of outings to complement normal school work, for educational or sporting purposes. Such trips include visits to outdoor education centres, the cinema, theatre, field trips, sports events, school tours and trips abroad.

The management of such trips places a great onus of responsibility on supervising teachers. In these circumstances it is important that they are reasonably happy that the students they are bringing with them do not pose a potential threat to the safe conduct of the tour. School trips, outings and tours are a privilege reserved for students who meet minimum standards of behaviour while at school.

Consequently, should your child be going on any outing the following general rules are in operation:

- Students who do not meet minimum standards of behaviour, as decided by the management, may be refused permission to participate in a school outing. The school reserves the right to disallow a student from participation in a school trip if the health and safety of the student or other students or teachers is at risk. Therefore, if a student has shown a poor attitude to the Code of Behaviour or has refused to co-operate with an investigation into breaches of discipline he or she will not be considered.
- Any student who has committed a serious misdemeanour prior to departure date, notwithstanding that he/she may have paid in full for his/her ticket will not be allowed to travel. Any money paid by such a student will be forfeited.
- On outings, students are expected to represent the school in an exemplary manner and behave in a reasonable manner at all times to school staff and anyone they come in contact with.
- Travel only by means of transport organised by the school, unless otherwise advised.
- Full school uniform must be worn by students unless otherwise informed.
- The school Code of Behaviour applies in all circumstances on school tour/trips, including the rules in relation to smoking and the use of drink/drugs which is totally forbidden.
- The decision about the interpretation of these conditions will rest with the Principal in consultation with the organising teacher and the supervising teachers. Parents and students should be aware that the permission to travel on a school-related activity is conditional on strict adherence to the Code of Behaviour. This applies to **all** school events either during the school day **or** outside the school day.
- Where a signed consent form is required from a parent/guardian, students will not be allowed travel without it.

We have an excellent record of behaviour and co-operation from our students who have travelled away on tours, trips or sporting outings. All students are reminded of the risk of accidents from silly behaviour.

The future involvement of staff depends very much on the continued good behaviour and co-operation of students and the support of parents.

Signed: _____
Chairperson of BOM

Date: ___/___/___

Signed: _____
Principal/Secretary to the BOM

Date: ___/___/___