Option 2 – Ex Sydney Qantas flights

Tuesday - November 25, 2014

We leave school early this morning and travel to Canberra making brief stops when and where necessary. We arrive late in Canberra for 3 nights accommodation.

Sundown Motel (Best Western)
Jerrabomberra Avenue
Narrabundah  ACT 2604
Ph: 02 6239 0333

Multi Shared Accommodation
Duration from 25/11/2014 to 28/11/2014 - 3 nights

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Dinner

Wednesday - November 26, 2014

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Breakfast

09:00am  Parliament House of Australia - Education Program
Parliament House is the focus of Australian democracy. The Educational programs explain the responsibilities and procedures of Australia's Federal Parliament. Allow 1 hour.

10:00am  Parliament House of Australia - Guided Tour
This tour will provide an insight into the historical and architectural significance of Parliament House. When Parliament is in session, groups can observe proceedings from the sound-proofed galleries. Allow 1 hour.

11:00am  Parliament House of Australia - Hospitality
Allow 30 minutes.

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Packed Lunch

Mount Ainslie Lookout
This provides a spectacular view of central Canberra and Parliamentary Triangle. From this vantage point you can really appreciate the city's distinctive layout with its lakes, parks and gardens. The backdrop of hills and mountains adds to the stunning vista before you. Allow 30 minutes.

01:45pm  Australian War Memorial
The Australian War Memorial is Australia’s National Memorial to those who died in war. It contains an archive centre of research and galleries displaying relics, documents, photographs and art. The Hall of Memory, where the Tomb of the Unknown Australian Soldier is located, is the centre of the formal commemorative areas of the Memorial. Allow 2 1/2 - 3 hours.

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Dinner

07:00pm  Black Mountain Tower
Black Mountain Tower's open and enclosed viewing galleries provide a magnificent view over Canberra and the surrounding countryside. Educational kits are available. The Tower contains an exhibition area where models and displays describe the history of telecommunications in Australia. By evening, a spectacular look at the lights of Canberra. Allow 45 minutes
Thursday - November 27, 2014

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Breakfast

09:00am  National Museum of Australia
The new National Museum is both educational and entertaining. Technology and imagination are combined to create an experience which explores "the things that have made us Australian". Hands-on interactive exhibitions allow visitors to actually experience the stories of Australia. Allow 2 1/2 - 3 hours.

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Packed Lunch

01:00pm  High Court of Australia
The High Court's role as the pinnacle of the Australian judicial system is reflected in the building's grand approaches, glass facade, towering hall and elegant courtrooms. Special note should be made of spectacular use of Australian timber in the court rooms. Allow 45 minutes.

02:30pm  Questacon - The National Science and Technology Centre
This "hands-on" exhibit is entertaining as well as educational. A spiral walkway leads you to the various galleries of the Centre. Over 200 interactive exhibits deal with the mysteries of science by demonstrating their everyday applications. Amongst the fascinating exhibits is "Bodyworks" where you can learn about your own body for walking, talking, listening, cycling, throwing and balancing. You can experience an earthquake in the Centre's living room, watch a lightning strike or make music on a harp without strings. The Environment Exhibition shows how individual Australians and visitors can make a difference to global environmental issues. Allow 2 ½ hours.

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Dinner

*07:30pm  Canberra International Sports and Aquatic Centre
Swim and Slide
Allow 1 1/2 hours.
*Waiting on confirmation*

Friday - November 28, 2014

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Breakfast

08:30am  Australian Institute of Sport - Guided Tour including Sportex
Experience the home of past, present and future sporting champions with one of Australia's elite athletes as your guide. The tour gives you a unique view of the world class facilities and an insight into the life of an elite athlete. Includes the Sportex session. Allow 2 hours.

Sundown Motel (Meals)
Packed Lunch

After lunch split into 2 groups:

Group 1 (40+5):

01:00pm  Electoral Education Centre  Education
The Electoral Education Centre runs topical classes on the federal electoral system for students from upper primary to tertiary level. The centre's programs are designed to make students aware of the importance of elections and participation in parliamentary democracy. Allow 1 1/2 hours
03:00pm  **Museum of Australian Democracy @ Old Parliament House**
The temporary home of Australia’s Federal Parliament from 1927 – 1988, contains plenty to see. It is a unique venue, highly evocative of Australia’s political history and main characters. Allow 1 hour.

**Who’s the Boss?**
Who can become prime minister? How is the governor-general chosen? What does the leader of the opposition do? Students will find the answers to these questions and more by getting to know leaders who shaped our nation. Students will visit heritage and exhibition spaces to experience the history and workings of parliament. An ideal beginning of exploration into Civics and Citizenship. This program engages students with role play and group activities.

**Group 2 (40+5):**

01:00pm  **Museum of Australian Democracy @ Old Parliament House**
02:30pm  **Electoral Education Centre**

You will have some time this afternoon for teacher guided activities.

You may like to visit the Canberra City Centre for some shopping or for dinner (own arrangements).

Later this afternoon your will be transferred to Canberra airport for your return flight to Melbourne.

**Split airfares:**

**Group 1 – (40+5)**

*Qantas flight, QF 487, departing Sydney at 8.00pm, arriving at 9.35pm*

**Group 2 – (40+5)**

*Qantas flight, QF 821, departing Canberra at 8.30pm, arriving at 10.05pm*

Upon arrival at Melbourne airport it is own arrangements for travel to school/home.

**YOUR RESPONSIBILITY: TO PROVIDE A TOWEL & TOILETRIES**