Dear Parents,

As part of Year 9, 10 and Stage 2 Outdoor Education, students have the opportunity to partake in a sunrise hike up Mount Sonder, and explore the gorge at Ormiston.

The trip aims to enhance classroom curriculum, where students will be learning about local history, and indigenous relationships to land, risk assessment, geological formation and leadership.

The trip will take place over the course of the weekend on Friday 4th and Saturday 5th March so that no classroom time is impacted for any subjects. We will leave after school on the Friday at 3.30pm and return by 4pm on Saturday afternoon.

Other staff members attending are Head of Outdoor Education, David Atkins and Outdoor Education teacher, Emma Shearer. The program will include swimming at the gorge which will be undertaken under the supervision of outdoor education staff members. PFD’s will be available for students with low swimming ability.

Based on the number of forms returned expressing interest, there will only be one group heading out. Students who didn’t return a form stating they were interested are still welcome to join, please just fill in the permission slip below and pay money at College Reception. Students who do not partake will not be penalised and their grades will not be in any way affected.

We will be driving to our campsite at Redbank on the school bus where we will stay for the night. The cost is $50 per student which will cover all of the meals for the trip and accommodation. Students with dietary requirements will be taken into consideration.

I believe this is a very exciting opportunity for students and I hope that they all choose to participate!

Could you please return permission slips, medical forms and pay excursion fee at College Reception, by Monday the 29th of February. If you have any questions regarding the intended program please do not hesitate to contact me via eliza.crowe@stphilips.nt.edu.au

Kind regards,

Eliza Crowe

I give permission for ________________________________ to travel to Mt Sonder and Redbank Gorge on Friday 4th & Saturday 5th March as part of Year 9, 10 and Stage 2 Outdoor Education. I also enclose a completed medical form and am aware of all the activities my child will be completing.

Parent/Guardian Signature: ____________________________________________________________

Parent’s Name (please print): __________________________________________________________

Date: ______________________________________________________________________________