

## **Wanneroo Botanic Gardens... The Perfect Excursion**

### *Welcome*

Wanneroo Botanic Gardens is a sub-tropical botanical garden located 25 minutes north of Perth. Boasting over 500 species of exotic plants and trees from around the world, the gardens offer students the rare chance to experience a unique sub-tropical ecosystem. A talk from one of our resident gardeners can be arranged by appointment.

Located within the gardens are two 18 hole miniature golf courses. The mini golf assists your students in developing their fine motor skills, extending their mental mathematic ability and challenging their problem solving skills.

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### *Transport*

Transport is to be arranged by the school. There are parking facilities for buses and cars in the car park. Directions and a map can be downloaded from our website. Wanneroo Botanic Gardens is easily accessible by public transport, using the rail network and taking bus 468 from Joondalup train station.

### *Supervision*

Wanneroo Botanic Garden's staff will welcome your class as you arrive. However the teacher in charge and school supervisory team is responsible for the supervision and any specific requirements of your students.

Due to the fragile nature of the gardens and deep water ponds located within the gardens it is imperative that student groups are directly supervised by an adult at all times.

Please be aware that members of the general public may be visiting the park at the same time as your school and we would appreciate your students demonstrating responsible behaviour to ensure an enjoyable experience for all. It is a requirement of Wanneroo Botanic Gardens that your students break into small groups of 4 to 6 to play the miniature golf. Due to the fragile nature of the gardens and deep-water ponds all student groups need to be closely supervised by a member of your supervisory team.

Wanneroo Botanic Gardens has an Emergency Response Plan which can be downloaded from our website. We advise that the teacher in charge has a copy of our Emergency Response Plan and is familiar with the procedures prior to your visit.

To ensure a safe and enjoyable excursion to Wanneroo Botanic Gardens, it is recommended that the teacher in charge communicate all relevant information to their students and supervisory team prior to your visit. Upon arrival, a staff member will address your group in the kiosk seating area to: Welcome you to the park, provide a brief description of the facilities at the park, outline the Emergency Evacuation Procedures, and remind students to demonstrate care and respectful behaviour toward the gardens and other guests.