

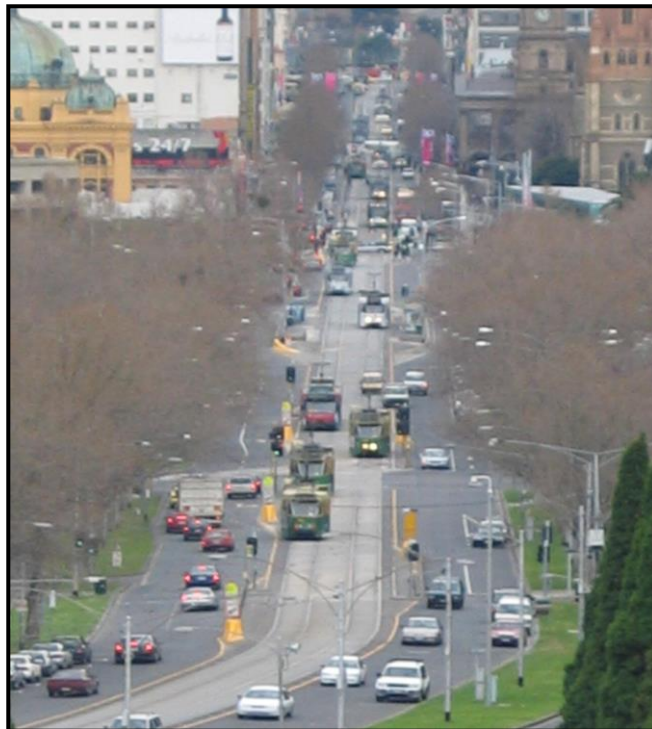


LILYDALE  
HIGH SCHOOL

# 2016 Year 9 City Experience

## MEETING MELBOURNE

A 3 DAY PROGRAM FOR YEAR 9 STUDENTS – The CITY becomes your classroom. You become an independent learner. The challenge is YOURS!



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The Lilydale High School City Experience Program – ‘Meeting Melbourne’ offers Year 9 students the opportunity to experience new things away from school in a big city. In fact, the city is your classroom and it challenges you to accept responsibility, keep safe, work in teams and reflect maturely on a whole range of issues. Each day you will have a block of self-managed time where you work independently of teachers. It's demanding and educational but it's exciting, and fun. You will be treated as young adults, respected by city-dwellers and envied by those who didn't have this opportunity.

**There is something in it for everyone**

## Aims of the Program

The program aims to develop the following skills and qualities:

- **Interpersonal skills**
- **Independent learning**
- **Confidence**
- **Punctuality**
- **Responsibility**
- **Teamwork**
- **Self esteem**

## Meeting Melbourne Program – Important information

- Experienced teachers will be in the city with you.
- Students will travel to and from the city independently. There will be a teacher who travels in the first carriage of the 8.16 am train that departs from Lilydale Station each morning.
- The program varies each day and begins with a BRIEF presentation by Coordinators to make sure you are fully informed.
- **The timetable is busy like the city, so punctuality is essential.** If you are late the whole group must wait.
- Students will complete set activities and a research task.
- Before the program commences we will exchange all mobile phone numbers to enable us to keep closely in touch throughout the week.
- While in the city you'll be treated by us as young adults in the world of work. If you're going to be absent or late, you must phone us.

## Program Dates

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

9.04, 9.05, 9.06, 9.07, 9.08

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

9.09, 9.10, 9.11, 9.12, 9.13

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

9.14, 9.15, 9.16, 9.17, 9.18

## Program Times

- Sessions begin at **9:30 am** and finish at **3:00 pm** every day.
- Starting and finishing times at the site ensure you are not battling peak-hour commuters.

## Meeting Places

Each morning there will be a designated central meeting place, close to Flinders St Station.

**Centre for Adult Education (CAE)  
253 Flinders Lane  
Melbourne CBD**

## Highlights of the Program

The **Meeting Melbourne Program** helps make places come alive for Year 9's.

We will visit numerous venues during the week, including:

- **City Discovery challenge**      **Old Melbourne Gaol**
- **MCG Sports Museum**      **The Shrine of Remembrance**
- **Queen Victoria Market**      **Eureka Tower**

Students will also be collecting data for their Math CAT.

## Cost

- The cost of the program is **\$90.00** per student.
- This cost covers the hire of our city meeting premises, entry to all venues, program booklets and Educational officers at supervised venues.
- The **payment for this program MUST BE PAID by Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**. If payment poses a problem in any capacity, please contact the school and alternative arrangements will be made where possible.

## **The cost does not include:**

- **Travel** – Daily travel into and around the city for the week. Students will need to ensure their Myki card has adequate credit.
- **Lunch** – Students will need to either bring their own lunch or bring money to purchase lunch.

## **Safety, Preparation and Enjoyment**

The **safety** of students is at all times the major concern of the school.

Experience has shown us that if students are fully prepared for their time in the city before they undertake the experience, it really is an educational, enjoyable and above all else, a safe experience.

Some of the issues we address with the students in preparation include:

- An information session by a local police officer on safety and security in the city.
- All students are issued with ID cards that they are required to wear at all times during the week. The flip-side of these cards contains the high school phone and mobile numbers and a list of relevant emergency contact phone numbers.
- When **not in large groups** for activities and excursions, **all** students must travel together in their allocated smaller team of 5 or 6 students. Regular contact will be made with these teams via mobile phones. The mobile phone numbers of **all** students will be recorded and used if contact is required.

## **Safety**

To ensure that all students remain safe, they should:

- Follow all instructions carefully
- Be on time to avoid separation from the group
- Be available to be contacted by mobile phone at all times
- Stay with their designated group at all times
- Not have unnecessary valuables such as iPods or iPads
- Wear their ID card at all times while in the city

In the **event of an emergency**, students should make their way to the **emergency meeting point**, located at the **corner of Spring St and Wellington Parade**. This location is noted on the student map. From here, pre-planned bus transport will bring students back to school.

## Uniform

You must be in full school uniform whilst on City Experience. Students who are not in full school uniform will be sanctioned and may be sent home from the program. In particular, the following items are not allowed;

- Runners
- Black socks
- Facial piercings
- Non-school jumper
- Beanies or scarfs that are not black

## Transport

Students will travel in groups to and from the city using a variety of public transport services, and will also travel around the city using Metlink.

Students will require a Myki, and must have a valid concession card with them at all times if they are over 16 and travelling on a concession ticket.

It is expected that students will become confident and responsible users of the public transport system.

## Routes and Timetables

The train times listed below indicate the latest train students are recommended to take

### **RECOMMENDED TRAINS –**

#### ***Lilydale to Flinders Street (arrive 9.18 am)***

- 8.16 am from Lilydale
- 8.21 am from Mooroolbark
- 8.25 am from Croydon

#### ***Belgrave to Flinders Street (arrive 9.10 am)***

- 8.04 am from Belgrave
- 8.17 am from Boronia
- 8.24 am from Heathmont

The following websites provide useful timetabling information for students and parents:

- <http://www.metlinkmelbourne.com.au/timetables>
- <http://www.metlinkmelbourne.com.au>

## Items to Bring Each Day

Students should bring the following items to the program each day;

- Myki and concession card if required
- City map, program and Maths CAT
- Small bag
- Pens and pencils
- Lunch or money to buy lunch
- Mobile phone
- Note: **NO** chewing gum is allowed

## What Happens Next?

Tasks to be completed before the City Experience:

- The **Consent form** (including current medical information) must be **completed online** through **COMPASS**, together with the payment by **Wednesday 3rd August**.
- Planning how to travel to and from the city, and investigating public transport routes and times.
- Purchasing a Myki for use for the week. (**Note:** if students are over 16 years of age, they will be required to pay an adult fair on public transport, unless they have a valid concession card. The concession card and ticket must be carried on them at all times as ticket inspectors are in force and fines will be issued).

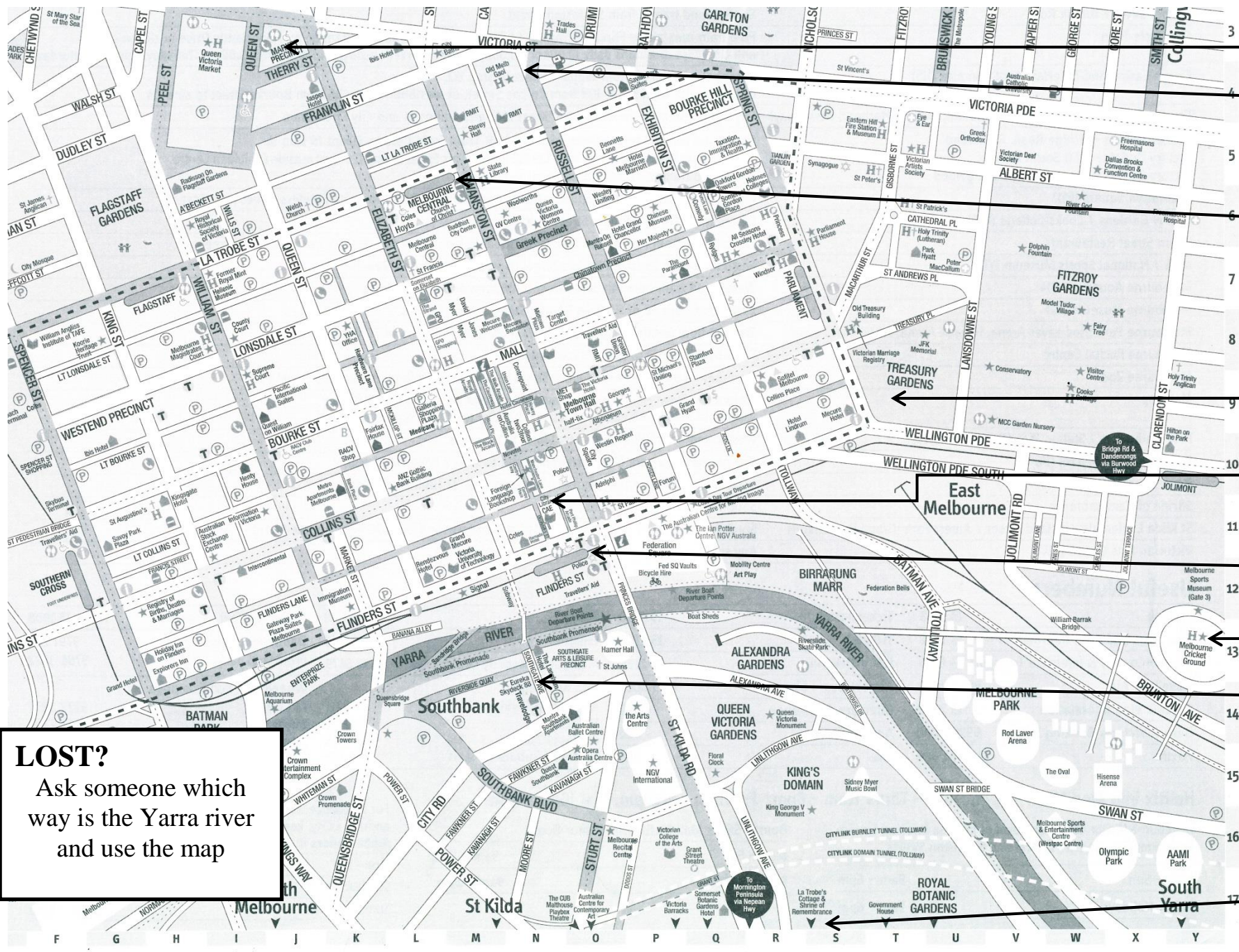
Students will be briefed in a final assembly, held in Term 3. They will be provided with a detailed map of the city and timetable for their program.

## Teacher Mobile Numbers

You can use the following numbers to contact your coordinator or teacher in charge during the program. **Please note**, within each program you will be allocated to a group - 1, 2, 3 or 4. Check the list outside the Middle School Office to see which group you are in.

Coordinator in charge	0477 446 269
Group A teacher	0477 446 271
Group B teacher	0477 446 273
Group C teacher	0407 057 195
Group D teacher	0499 038 796
Extra teacher	0417 345 512
Extra teacher (Program 3 only)	0437 357 810

These numbers will also be listed on your student lanyards.



Queen Vic Market

Old Melbourne Gaol (Jail)

Melbourne Central

Emergency meeting place  
corner Spring St &  
Wellington Pde

Centre for Adult  
Education

Flinders Street  
Station

MCG

Eureka Skydeck

Shrine of  
Remembranc

**LOST?**  
Ask someone which  
way is the Yarra river  
and use the map

To Bridge Rd &  
Dandenong  
via Burwood  
Hwy

To Mornington  
Peninsula  
via Heppner  
Hwy

## Parent and Student Checklist

- Exchanged mobile numbers with other group members
- Organised public transport routes into and out of the city
- Purchased a Myki travel card
- Carrying Myki and concession card, if required
- Full school uniform each day
- Carrying school ID card
- Carrying student map, program and Maths CAT
- Carrying pens and pencils
- Have lunch and/or lunch money