

HERITAGE





SCHOOL EXCURSION OPPORTUNITIES YEAR 3 - HIGH SCHOOL

Your class will step back in time at this friendly township museum showcasing the rich, colourful history of the Rockhampton district 1850 – 1950.

We can customise your tour to suit your group's requirements. Some tour options we offer include:

Tram Rides. Our tram will transport your group about the Heritage Village. Originally a horse-drawn vehicle, the tram has been adapted for use with a tractor.

Homestead and Cottages. Experience life before electricity with a tour through the many buildings and homesteads. Rosewood Homestead and Lakes Creek Cottage are particularly interesting because they show two very different styles of living.

Rosewood Homestead. Built in 1881, shows how a well off (but by no means rich) family lived. The pressed metal walls and ceilings and were imported from Britain. These would have been the envy of many in those days. Notice that only the front windows have glass and the back have shutters. Glass was very expensive and used sparingly if at all. Rosewood kitchen is built separate to the main house, which was typical of local housing at that time. Displays of household items show students the everyday challenges people faced, from washing and ironing, cooking and cleaning, and storing of perishable foods.

Lakes Creek Cottage. Lakes Creek Cottage was built in 1910 as a worker's cottage. While by no means luxurious, the cottage highlights advances in living conditions compared to other buildings on site.

Vintage Cars and Machinery. The Heritage Village has a sizeable collection of fire engines, vintage cars and tractors, stationary engines, ploughs, horse drawn vehicles and wagons on display. You can even have a ride in a vintage car or on a fire engine.

Kalapa State School*. Take a seat at the classroom of yesteryear. At their desks, students will be asked to use slates and slate pencils, or pen and ink. A cleanliness inspection is done and posture checked. The cane is very much in evidence and rules and good manners are strictly enforced.

Printing Works. Visit Anderson's Printing Works which houses a complete print workshop from the 1950s including hot metal typesetting machines and presses from Anderson's City Printing Works, established in Rockhampton in 1903.

Doll's House. This display consists of over 1500 dolls, ranging from celluloid, porcelain, corn husk, peg, stocking, wooden, papier mache, china, right through to a smurf collection! There are even some boys' toys from a bygone era.

Kianga Shearing Shed The shearing shed was believed to have been built in 1946 on the Kianga Station at Moura, originally owned by Archie and Mary McNabe. The shed is fully outfitted and our knowledgeable guides can enlighten the students to the life of a shearer.

Charles Street Fire Station Replica. This display includes 40 years of local historical memorabilia and fire fighting equipment collected by Lex Semple.

Dingley Cottage. See how local resident Alice Dingley lived for more than 70 years until her death in 2008. Alice lived without the modern conveniences of electricity, running water or sewerage.

WHAT DOES IT COST?

\$10 perperson

1 Teacher or adult to 10 Students will be given entry free of charge

All prices GST Inclusive. Prices are current to 30 June 2025.

(Prices may be subject to change; however there will be no change to prices quoted after bookings are made.) An invoice will be forwarded for payment after the visit.

We oursource catering for tour lunches, however you are also welcome to bring your own lunch and enjoy a break under one of our shady trees.

MENU

Meat and salad wrap + popper - \$9.00 per person
(Prices may be subject to change and we may not be able to accommodate all dietary requirements).

SCHOOL TOUR INFORMATION

- The Rockhampton Heritage Village is open from 9am to 3pm. However, we can facilitate school tours anytime between 9am 2pm. Tours are for the duration of 3 hours, including a 30 minute break. You are welcome to stay and explore at your own pace after the conclusion of the tour. Please discuss with staff when making your booking.
- Maximum number of students is 80 per tour.
- Prior inspection by teaching staff is welcome.
- Coach parking is available.
- Disabled toilets.
- Please discuss your tour requirements when booking as some activities are subject to availability. Every effort is made to ensure children receive the best tour possible.
- All visitors should bring a hat, closed in shoes, sunscreen and water bottles. Cameras are welcome.
- Coach drivers receive free entry (plus food when ordered by your group).
- Cold drinks, ice-creams and souvenirs for sale.

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