



SOCIAL SCRIPT

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

STEAMING STEM



YOUR JOURNEY



My Class is going to Puffing Billy Railway to ride the train.

It is a place where I can see trains, ride on them, and learn all about their history, mechanics and the people that work with them.

There will be other visitors at the stations and on the train that I need to share the space with.



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We will travel to Puffing Billy Railway via our bus from school.

When we arrive at Puffing Billy Railway's Lakeside Visitor Centre our bus will drop us off at the Lakeside Visitor Centre carpark. We will walk from the bus down a steep ramp to the Lakeside Visitor Centre.

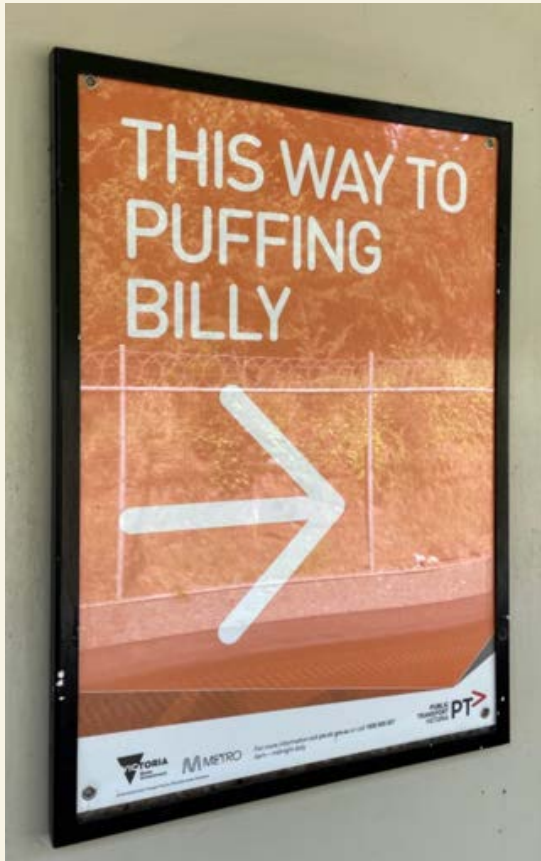


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Most visitors start their day at Puffing Billy Railway's Belgrave station.

Our day is a little different as we are starting at Lakeside Station at Emerald Lake Park. We will visit the Lakeside Visitor Centre for an Education workshop before exploring Emerald Lake Park and having lunch.

After lunch we will board Puffing Billy for a ~50-minute journey on a steam train to Belgrave Station.



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At the Visitors Centre, my Teacher will go up to the Booking Office window to sign in for the program for the day and collect our tickets.

Puffing Billy Railway Education Officers and Volunteers will meet our class at Lakeside Visitor Centre. Our class may sit or stand at the front of the centre and listen to a welcome and the history of Puffing Billy Railway.

I may have a chance to ask questions. Other students may ask questions too. I need to remember to put my hand up and wait my turn.



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There are lots of staff and volunteers at Puffing Billy Railway who are there to help me and answer my questions. If I get lost from my group, I can ask them for help. If I feel unsafe I can also ask them for help.

They may be wearing all different types of clothing, even olden day clothes. They will have a special logo on their clothing. They might have a radio to talk to other people.

We might meet a Conductor who will welcome us to Puffing Billy Railway.



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My class might visit the toilets at the Lakeside Visitor Centre before visiting the Great Hall Museum.

There may be videos showing on big screens in the Great Hall. This video may have loud noises and whistles.

If I feel uncomfortable, I can tell my Teacher, and we can leave the space.



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Our class will go to an area with an Education Officer or Volunteer for an Education workshop. This is a special place full of things from the train. I might get to touch some special things to help me learn about Puffing Billy Railway.

The special area might look different, but it is a place to learn, just like at school.

I will remember to behave like I do at school. If another student is holding something I will wait for my turn. If I do get to hold something I will be careful.



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The Education Officer will tell me all about Puffing Billy Railway, its history and technology. We may watch a PowerPoint, do some hands-on activities, build some prototypes or explore resources.

I need to sit quietly and not call out while the Education Officer or Volunteer is talking. I will be safe with my class.

Once the workshop is complete, I will have a chance to have lunch and explore the Emerald Lake Park precinct with my class.



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I might have lunch at a special area at the Lakeside Visitor Centre. I must stay with my class during lunch.

There are also areas around the Visitor Centre where I can explore.

I need to walk on the paths to stay safe around the train.



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I may have lunch at Emerald Lake Park. I may even get to play on the playground and explore the park. It is important I stay with my class while outside.

In Emerald Lake Park there are bridges, waterways and pools I need to be careful of. I must listen to my Teacher's while moving around this park.

We may see some wild birds in the park. I must remember not to chase them or feed them, just watch them quietly.



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After lunch and approximately 2 hours at Lakeside it will be time to board the train. We will meet a Puffing Billy Railway Education Officer or Volunteer again for the train journey.

This journey will take approximately 50 minutes. I can use the toilets at Lakeside Station or Lakeside Visitor Centre before boarding, as there are no toilets on the train. The train might be loud and bumpy, it cannot hurt me. I will be safe if I stay seated with my Teacher and Class.

I must keep my arms, legs and body inside the train always, unless told otherwise. We cannot stop at each interesting thing we see but can look through the windows of the train.



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There may be loud and unusual noises around the stations. These are the trains on Puffing Billy Railway. These noises keep people and the trains safe. I will be safe too.

I must stay back from the train tracks and behind the yellow line. I must not touch the Locomotive as it may be hot.

I must not touch the train while it is moving.

The Puffing Billy Railway Staff and Volunteers will help my class board the train. I must listen to my Teacher and the Education Officer's instructions, so I am safe.



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The Conductor may need to see our tickets before we board the train, they may even clip a hole in our ticket to show we have boarded the train.

Once on the platform. I might meet a Train Driver and a Train Guard.

We will board the train at Lakeside Station. Puffing Billy Railway Education Officer's and Volunteers will not travel on the train with my class. On the train I will sit with my teachers and class, and we will travel for approximately 50 minutes to Lakeside Station.



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The train might be loud and bumpy, it cannot hurt me. I will be safe if I stay seated with my class and teacher.

I must keep my arms, legs and body inside the train at all times.

My teacher may have a workbook for our class to do on the train. Our Teacher knows all about what we will see on our train journey. We cannot stop at each thing but can look through the windows of the train.

We may have a conductor in our carriage with us for the journey.



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I might see animals living in the trees, on the ground and around the train.

I might see bridges, creeks and rivers that run along and underneath the train.

While traveling on the train I might see lots of plants, trees and big ferns that are important for the animals and forest.

It is important that I look at these things through the window of the train and stay seated with my teachers. It is important that I listen to my teachers' directions and stay with the group.



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Once the journey is complete, we will arrive at Belgrave Station. We can visit the toilets here before making our way to our bus to return to school. I may walk through the gift shop to exit. I must remember not to touch anything unless I am allowed.

It will be busy at Belgrave station, if I feel unsafe, I can tell my teacher, and we can move to another area.



I may need to walk up or down a steep hill to board the bus. I must be careful while I am walking.



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IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Stay with my class and group
- Listen to my teacher
- Walk and not run
- Speak with my quiet voice, even though it may be loud and noisy. There will be whistle sounds at every crossing
- Wait patiently when I must line up
- Only touch and climb on things that my teacher says I am allowed to
- Listen carefully when an adult is talking to me
- Stand back from the train tracks and do not cross them unless a teacher is with you
- Keep my hands, arms, legs and body back behind the line on the station, away from the train tracks
- When we are on the train, no legs or arms are to be outside the carriage
- There are no windows on the train, so it is very cold. Soot can come in but I will be safe



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IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- We want you to feel safe during your time here, so if something makes you uncomfortable or unsafe, please speak to your teachers or someone in a Puffing Billy uniform
- Your feedback is important to us. Please tell your teacher, an education officer, a staff member or volunteer if you have had an amazing time at the Railway and they may be able to pass it on!
- **Please Note:** The time and order of your workshop and train journey may change.



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I am excited for my excursion to Puffing Billy Railway!



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