

The following itinerary is to be regarded as a sample only. The actual program developed for each group will alter depending on:

* Arrival time (allowing for the fact that many schools from outside immediate Geelong area need to travel to Geelong either by School owned bus / Rented bus / Train\*)
* The number of students in the group
* Weather – VSS staff thoroughly assess weather forecasts / predicted wind models / observations as they are available from the Bureau of Meteorology and other sources in making any decision regarding sailing#, with students safety, well-being and enjoyment of their sailing experience being paramount
* Departure time

VSS staff work on the assumption that majority of students are novices i.e. no previous experience. Likewise, there is NO expectation that Visiting Teachers complete any theoretical sailing work with their students beforehand

Note -

\*should groups elect to travel to Geelong by train, VSS staff will meet the group to transport luggage from Geelong station to VSS…approximately 15 minute walk

#VSS has in place a “Strong Wind Policy” well within wind strength limitations set by DEECD in the Safety in Outdoor Adventure Activities Guidelines and those recommended by Yachting Australia. This policy can be seen at <http://sailingschool.vic.edu.au/programs.htm>

SAMPLE ITINERARY

9.00am - Welcome. Students will be divided into groups of 10 (max), with these students to make up the two “crews” that will be sailing with a VSS staff member as their “skipper”

9.30am - Commence sailing – length of each sailing session, i.e. time spent on water by each group of 10 students, will depend on total number of students in attendance ensuring that all students are given the opportunity to sail.

Students not directly involved in sailing are to remain on shore with their teacher(s). Possible activities for these students include:

* Swimming in the wading pool at Eastern Beach Reserve (approx. 400 metres east from VSS…students can be supervised by visiting staff with current accreditation)
* Beach Volleyball (courts provided by City of Great Geelong immediately adjacent to VSS)
* Bollard Walk, using tourists guide from Tourism Geelong
* Visiting adventure playgrounds, located at Eastern Beach or 100 metres west of Cunningham Pier (approx.. 400 metre west of VSS)
* Beach Games – beach extend approx. 300 metres from VSS towards Eastern Beach Reserve
* Recreational Game within Eastern Beach Reserve

3pm - End of day