

Welcome to the Saddle Up School Holiday Program!

This year, you're in for a unique educational experience, with plenty of horsing around. Here's a quick rundown of what you need to know before your day at The Valley.

Daily activities

There will be a variety of activities on the day, and the main event will be learning all about riding a horse on the grounds of the iconic racecourse. To take full advantage of the program it's best to arrive from 8:30am and stay until the end of the day at 5:30pm.

For further information about the daily schedule, please find attached the Saddle Up School Holiday Program Daily Activity Timetable and Activity Map.

Please note: The indoor areas are fully air conditioned and in the case of extreme heat, alternative sheltered outdoor areas will be utilised.



Access to the Racecourse

To access The Valley please enter via Gate 1 (Members Car Park) which is accessible from McPherson Street. Please refer to the map.

Saddle Up School Holiday Program directional signage will guide you to the free parking near the entry. Signage will then provide further directions to the Saddle Up School Holiday Program sign in/out registration area inside the Octagonal Lounge at The Valley.



What to Bring

You are encouraged to bring the following items for your child(ren) on the day:

- A drink bottle to refill throughout the day.
- A packed lunch for the main lunch break and snacks for morning and afternoon breaks.
- Please avoid foods that may contain nuts, wheat, dairy, eggs etc.
- Suitable summer weather clothing and items such as sun hats, sunscreen, and perhaps something for wet weather it is Melbourne, after all!

Fresh fruit will be supplied to children through the day to keep them fueled and energised for a full day of fun.

Also, don't forget that at pick up, you'll have the opportunity to have your photo taken with your child(ren) and a Cox Plate trophy, which will be located near the sign in/out registration area.

Photography/ Filming Consent Form

During the course of the Saddle Up School Holiday Program, photographs and/or videos may be taken by a professional service provider engaged by Racing Victoria.

Racing Victoria respects the privacy of children.

Accordingly, please complete the attached form, and bring it with you when you sign in on the day, advising whether you consent for your child/children to participate in photographs and/or filming during the program, and for those images to be used and/or disclosed by Racing Victoria for the purposes described within.

Horse and Pony Riding Ability

The Saddle Up Summer Series is introducing three levels of horse riding, to enable us to safely provide a tailored riding experience for your child enrolled in the program.

Beginner Never ridden a horse/pony before **Intermediate** Basic experience with a horse/pony

Advanced Confident rider and can ride

independently

Please indicate the level most suitable to your child on the attached consent form.

Queries

If you have any further queries in relation to the Saddle Up School Holiday Program, don't hesitate to get in touch at info@kellysports.com.au, or call (03) 9384 2204.

Steve Martin, Director of Kelly Sports, will also be a contact available on the day of the program, and can be reached at 0418 523 282.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Saddle Up School Holiday Program. It's going to be a great day on the track.

See you soon!

Please note: The Saddle Up School Holiday Program activities are subject to change dependent on extreme weather conditions. It is our duty of care to ensure the health and well-being of all children, horses and staff participating in the program is paramount.





