Future Vet Kids Camp

for the aspiring veterinarian in your child

Wombats age 9-11, Apr 12th-16th 2021

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30-9:00	Drop-off/attendance	Drop-off/attendance	Drop-off/attendance	Drop-off/attendance	Drop-off/attendance
9:00-9:30	Orientation: Introduction to Camp & each other	Taronga Zoo	Puppy School Bondi Behaviourist & Vet Physical Exam	Featherdale Park	RSPCA
9:30-10:30	Pet Education & Safety	\downarrow			#
10:30-10:45	Morning Tea	Morning Tea	Morning Tea	Morning Tea	Morning Tea
10:45-11:30	K9 Nutrition & Baking Dog Treats	\downarrow	Australian Wildlife: Snakes, Reptiles & Wildlife Ben Dessen		Marine Biologist In the ocean
11:30-12:15	↓	\downarrow	\downarrow		↓
12:15-1:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00-2:00	Sydney Kitten Sanctuary	\downarrow	Pet 1 st Aid & CPR	\	Pet Grooming
2:00-2:15	Afternoon Break	Afternoon Break	Afternoon Break	Afternoon Break	Afternoon Break
2:15-3:30	NSW Mounted Police	↓	Caring for Australian Wildlife Bush Fires	\	Amazing Race Animals
3:30-4:00	Pick-up/sign-out	Pick-up/sign-out	Pick-up/sign-out	Pick-up/sign-out	Camp Graduation *beginning at 3pm

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MONDAY:

8:30-9:00: The children arrive at Camp Headquarters on their first day and are welcomed by our friendly and enthusiastic group of Camp Instructors. Each child must be signed in by the guardian dropping them off and signed copies of registration documents need to be submitted to administrative personnel at this time. Please note, for obvious security reasons, children will only be released to the guardian that dropped them off unless otherwise notified. Please ensure you are familiar with our COVID 19 Safety Protocols. Day ONE will require 2 sign in processes- QR NSW and our Daily Sign In and Out Jotform.

9:00-9:30: Camp is officially in session! Allow us to introduce ourselves. This is a fun and casual meet and greet where you get to know a little bit about your Instructors and your fellow campers as everyone takes turns introducing themselves. It's a great way to learn something about the people you are going to be spending the week with and find common ground; "You have a rabbit?! I have a rabbit!"

9:30-10:30: PET EDUCATION & SAFTEY: To kick off the week our Campers will first be taught dog and cat safety and techniques that will help prepare pets for visits to the vet. We may have a few friendly, four legged assistants on hand to help demonstrate the proper way to approach a dog and what to do if a strange dog approaches you. Plus we teach you how to get your pet ready for their regular vet check ups, nail trims, and taking their medicine

10:45-12:15: PET NUTRITION & BAKING DOG TREATS: Nutrition is the cornerstone of health. After all "we are what we eat" and our pets are no different. The importance of diet, quantity and quality will be discussed and will lead into the making of some tasty treats for our K9 friends.

12:15-1:00: Lunch time! As always, kids are responsible for bringing their own "peanut free" lunch and drink. Our Instructors will continue to supervise the children over the lunch period.

1:00-2:00: After lunch the Wombats will get up close and personal with some feline friends. HANDS ON WITH CATS & KITTENS is just that! Rescue groups help homeless, abandoned and neglected pets find permanent loving care. The SYDNEY KITTY SANCTUARY TEAM will be on hand with their latest litter of friendly kittens all looking for a lap to call their own and what better way to socialize these little guys then at a camp full of budding veterinarians and animal lovers.

2:15-3:15: Mounted Police: Special visit from the Sydney Mounted Police. We are excited to meet the police team and learn about the day to day of being in the Mounted police and how important their horses are to them. Learn about the exciting work these horses do and how they train them to do their special jobs.

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3:30-4:00: Campers are now ready to be signed out using our DIGITIAL SIGN IN/OUT Jotform (please see COVID 19 Safety Protocol) before being picked up by their designated caregiver. Please note, for obvious security reasons children will only be released to the guardian that dropped them off unless otherwise notified.

TUESDAY:

8:30-9:00: The children arrive at Camp Headquarters, attendance is taken and the day's activities are explained. Each child must be signed in by the guardian dropping them off with daily Sign In and Out Jotform. App.

9:00-12:15: This morning the Wombats are off on excursion to the 'Taronga Zoo' has a variety of Australia's native animals and wildlife we will get to have a special animal encounter at 'back of house' upon arrival.

12:15-1:00: Lunch time! Kids are responsible for bringing their own "peanut free" lunch and drink. Our Instructors will continue to supervise the kids over the lunch period.

1:00-3:30: After lunch the kids will engage in a backyard animal helper activity and with our remaining time we will explore all of the many wonderful animals at Taronga Zoo and listen in on a few keeper talks before our private coach takes us back to HQ.

3:30-4:00: Campers are now ready to be signed out using our DIGITIAL SIGN IN/OUT Jotform (please see COVID 19 Safety Protocol) before being picked up by their designated caregiver. Please note, for obvious security reasons children will only be released to the guardian that dropped them off unless otherwise notified.

WEDNESDAY:

8:30-9:00: The children arrive at Camp Headquarters, attendance is taken and the day's activities are explained. As always, children must be signed in by the guardian dropping them off unless we have been notified otherwise.

9:00-10:30: Puppy School from the team at BONDI BEHAVIOURIST will teach our campers how to better understand your K9 friends and how they perform their training at Puppy School. Learn how to avoid common training mistakes.

Vet Physical Exam. Get to know what a vet is looking for and how they approach a physical exam with each animal.

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10:45-12:15: This morning we are joined by the very knowledgeable wildlife expert BEN DESSEN! This informative, hands-on session will educate and amaze the children with his vast collection and knowledge of Reptile creatures.

12:15-1:00: Lunch time! Kids are responsible for bringing their own "peanut free" lunch and drink.

1:00-2:00: BASIC PET FIRST AID. Assessing what is normal in your pet so that you know when things aren't normal and if they may require medical attention is an important diagnostic skill. Our Instructors will cover basic signs and symptoms to look for in order to determine whether a visit to the veterinarian is warranted and what basic first aid procedures you can do yourself, like bandaging your pet's injured leg, until you can get them to the vet. What would you do if your dog were choking or stopped breathing? Knowing how to properly perform PET CPR is a valuable skill. All of our Wombats will be given step by step instructions and the opportunity to practice this potentially lifesaving skill on our veterinary approved CPR dogs, Casper and Jasper. Once done, all our young animal lovers will be presented with a certificate for their achievement in this area.

2:15-3:30: 'Burns and treatment' to the Wildlife, Dr Audrey and Alison talking and presenting their experience and treatment of Wild life with Australia Wildlife in the recent Bush fires

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THURSDAY:

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9:00-12:15: This morning the Wombats are off on excursion to FEATHERDALE WILDLIFE PARK. Featherdale has Australia's largest collection of native animals and has successful breeding programs for both the Cassowary and the Quoll. Upon arrival at Featherdale, our Campers will receive a private lesson from Featherdale's Education Officer, on wildlife rescue and rehabilitation. During this lesson the kids will be encouraged to learn about and interact with some of Featherdale's friendly rescue animals including a Tawny Frogmouth, a Diamond Python, a Koala and an actual Kookaburra!

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2:30-4:00: Campers are now ready to be signed out using our DIGITIAL SIGN IN/OUT Jotform (please see COVID 19 Safety Protocol) before being picked up by their designated caregiver. Please note, for obvious security reasons children will only be released to the guardian that dropped them off unless otherwise notified.

FRIDAY:

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9:00-10:30: This morning our Campers are in for a treat as we welcome officers from the RSPCA Yagoona. As Australia's pre-eminent animal welfare organization, the RSPCA provides a strong voice for animals experiencing cruelty and neglect. The RSPCA is committed to the care and welfare of animals.

RSPCA NSW works with local councils, state and federal governments and other interested groups including community organizations, wildlife authorities, farmers and professional associations, to ensure the rights of animals are upheld. RSPCA officers will deliver an informative and interactive presentation on animal welfare and the important work being done by RSPCA staff and supporters.

10:45-12:15: This morning the Wombats will find out all about 'sharks, turtles, whales and dolphins!! We are excited to welcome our in house Marine Biologist Lucy Jillings to share her knowledge and experience about being a Marine Biologist and her recent work with sharks and find out how to become a Marine Biologist and the cool animals you get to work with!

12:15-1:00: Lunch time! Kids are responsible for bringing their own "peanut free" lunch & drink. As always children will be supervised over lunch hour.

1:00-2:00: Sure, brushing your pet's hair and cleaning his teeth regularly will help him look his best, but it's also important for his health. GROOMING provides a chance to go over your pet's coat with a fine-tooth comb—or brush—to help keep track of subtle changes in their skin. What's more, regular nail clippings and teeth cleanings can prevent a number of unpleasant health problems. An experienced groomer will be by to perform a live demo and explain the importance of regular grooming to our pets' overall health and wellness.

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2:15-2:45: Amazing Race Animals... Lets have some fun and see what has been learnt throughout the week with a quick race around the college finding hidden clues with your animal knowledge. Who will be the winning team and be crowned the Future Vet Kids Camp 'Amazing Campers'

2:45-4:00: All good things must come to an end and so now is the time to wrap up the week and say our Goodbyes! Parents are welcome to join us at Camp HQ for the graduation ceremony and a few parting words from some inspirational speakers. Along with their keepsake notebooks full of memories, each child will receive a certificate of participation to commemorate their experience with us at FUTURE VET KIDS CAMP.

We hope your children have enjoyed their week with us. Please check out our website for upcoming camp sessions and exciting new programming.

Thanks from all of us here at FUTURE VET KIDS CAMP!