Expression of Interest

**CRAZY CRITTERS MINI CAMP**

CARNARVON AND MEEKATHARRA SCHOOLS OF THE AIR
Monday 3\textsuperscript{rd} August – Wednesday 5\textsuperscript{th} August 2009

**For Year 4-7 students**

**What:** Critter Camp is an opportunity for Schools of the Air students to catch up together and to learn more about the many amazing little critters (the furry and not so furry) living under our noses.

**Where:** The best place for us to find critters in August will be at Muggon station (just west of Murchison settlement). We will have some expert critter catchers and teachers there who will be able to tell us loads of interesting things about what we find. (The Department of Agriculture and Food along with the Department of Environment and Conservation are working together with the Carnarvon School of the Air to make this a fun filled and educational camp).

**How:** A bus will be available to take interested students down to Muggon from Carnarvon on the Monday morning (3\textsuperscript{rd} August) and back again on the Wednesday afternoon.

The plan at this stage is to spend a few hours in the mornings checking for tracks and any traces of critters we can find. Some special animal friendly traps will be set up to see what we can catch and then we’ll learn more about them (after we’ve released them) like what they eat, where they sleep, what makes them special and why they are important in the eco-system.

This year is also the **International year of Astronomy**, so the night sky and our solar systems will be a hot topic for kids in the cities. So that we don’t miss out on all the action the cities get, we will have access to some pretty cool gadgets to be able to tell us the stories of the night sky. We have arranged to have an “Astronomy kit” from Sci-Tech which includes some amazing tools which will allow all of the students to identify and name just about any star/planet/asteroid they see in the sky.

Please return to Carnarvon SOTA - Fax 08 9941 1420 or email: debra.burridge@det.wa.edu.au by **Friday 19\textsuperscript{th} June**.

Yes, I would love to come to the Crazy Critters Mini Camp

No, I cannot make it to the Crazy Critters Mini Camp

Student Name/s: _____________________________________________________________