

## ADF SCHOOL CADET UNIT VISITS

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Frequently, ADF school cadet units visit the Australian War Memorial as part of a trip to Canberra, and the Memorial warmly welcomes young visitors.

However, the Memorial is currently undergoing a significant site development project and there are now reduced gallery capacities. To assist with these changes, timed entry ticketing and limitations on length of stay are now in place for all visitors.

With a large number of visitors sharing the site, there are booking procedures for cadet groups to follow before arrival to ensure the visit is as smooth as possible.

### Make a booking

All school aged cadet groups visiting the Memorial are asked to book the group in at least four weeks prior to the visit. All bookings are taken online via the Education pages of the Memorial's website: [www.awm.gov.au/learn/schools/essential-information-schools](http://www.awm.gov.au/learn/schools/essential-information-schools)

When you book a visit date and entry time, you are also required to book the cadets in to a facilitated program in the galleries delivered by Memorial educators. There is currently **no self-guiding option available during your visit.**

There are a variety of programs to choose from: [www.awm.gov.au/visit/schools/programs](http://www.awm.gov.au/visit/schools/programs)

The **45 minute commemorative program**, *We will remember them* would be very suitable for cadets, preceded by a 15 minute orientation on entry. Cost per student on weekdays is \$5.50, on weekends \$9.90 (accompanying adults free) with full payment required 7 days before the booked visit.

Please note that availability for bookings on weekends is limited with entry at **1 pm, 2 pm, and 3.00 pm** only. Maximum group size per entry time booking: **60 students.**

### Last Post Ceremony (free of charge) 4.30 pm

Attendance at the Last Post Ceremony, with two representatives able to participate in the wreath laying, may be added to your 3.00 pm facilitated program booking, if available.

Alternatively, **on weekends** cadet groups may book tickets to **attend and participate in the ceremony only**, with arrival at 4:00 pm. [www.awm.gov.au/commemoration/last-post-ceremony](http://www.awm.gov.au/commemoration/last-post-ceremony)

Please note, **cadets will not be able to perform drills and other ceremonial activities at the Last Post Ceremony.** Also, cadet units cannot be guaranteed a place beside the Pool of Reflection for the Ceremony, due to variable visitor numbers and the attendance of veterans and family members, schools, and other groups at the ceremony. Please follow the directions of Memorial staff at all times. If attending, the cadet leader is to liaise with Memorial staff regarding the guidelines for attendance. Adherence to instruction provided is a Condition of Entry and failure to comply may restrict future attendance by cadet units.

## **Entry to the Memorial**

Large bags and backpacks cannot be taken into the galleries and should be left on the coach.

Changes to the drop off/pick up location and onsite coach parking at the Australian War Memorial are in place due to the Memorial's Development Project. The Memorial's school booking team will provide arrival information, including a map, prior to your visit.

We look forward to welcoming cadet groups to the Memorial in the future. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Memorial's school bookings office.

## **Contact**

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