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SCHOOLING WHILE TRAVELLING AROUND AUSTRALIA : A ROADSCHOOLING ADVENTURE

Education doesn't have to happen inside four walls. For families travelling around Australia, the world becomes their classroom—history is found in ancient landscapes, science is discovered in the Great Barrier Reef, and math is calculated when planning fuel stops and budgets. Roadschooling, or educating while travelling, is a growing trend among Australian families who have traded traditional schooling for a more immersive, hands-on approach.

While it may seem overwhelming at first, countless families have successfully taken the leap, and with the right resources, it can be an incredibly rewarding experience. Whether you're a first-time traveller or a seasoned roadschooler, this guide will help you navigate the world of education on the road, featuring insights into the best resources, support communities, and innovative platforms like Travelling Kids Academy to make the journey smooth and enriching.

WHY CHOOSE ROADSCHOOLING?

Families hit the road for many reasons—seeking adventure, escaping the daily grind, or simply wanting to spend more time together. But one concern many parents have is how to ensure their children continue receiving a quality education. The good news? Learning while travelling can be just as effective—if not more so—than traditional schooling.



By experiencing the world firsthand, children absorb lessons in a way that textbooks can't provide. From visiting Indigenous cultural sites to exploring geological wonders, the lessons are real, tangible, and unforgettable. Roadschooling fosters curiosity, adaptability, and a love for learning that can last a lifetime.

TAWK: YOUR FIRST STOP FOR EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Before diving into roadschooling, it's important to connect with a support network, and Travelling Australia With Kids (TAWK) is the perfect place to start. TAWK is an incredible resource hub for families

planning to travel Australia with kids, offering advice, community support, and a wealth of information on roadschooling.

TAWK provides:

- ✓ Tips on homeschooling registration and requirements in different states
- ✓ Links to online learning resources and curriculum options
- ✓ Information on family-friendly camping spots
- ✓ A supportive community of like-minded parents

For those just starting their journey, TAWK is an essential tool to help navigate the world of roadschooling while connecting with other families on the same path.



CONNECTING WITH HOMESCHOOLING COMMUNITIES

One of the greatest fears parents have when choosing to roadschool is isolation. Will my kids make friends? Who will I talk to when I need support? The good news is that homeschooling and roadschooling communities are thriving across Australia!

When staying in a town for a longer period, many travelling families tap into local homeschooling groups. These communities are invaluable for socialisation, shared resources, and organised learning activities. Many towns have regular meet-ups in parks or community centres where travelling families are warmly welcomed.

Some benefits of connecting with local homeschooling groups include:

- ✓ Access to structured group learning sessions
- ✓ Playdates and social opportunities for kids
- ✓ Shared resources and learning materials
- ✓ Parent support for navigating homeschooling laws and requirements

Many roadschooling families plan their routes around known homeschooling hotspots, ensuring their children have regular opportunities to interact and learn with others.

TRAVELLING KIDS ACADEMY: WHERE EDUCATION INTERTWINES WITH ADVENTURE

While roadschooling offers unique learning opportunities, having a structured educational foundation can be incredibly helpful. This is where Travelling Kids Academy shines—an innovative online platform designed specifically for travelling families.

What is Travelling Kids Academy?

Travelling Kids Academy is more than just an online school; it's a customisable, flexible learning hub tailored to meet the needs of children learning on the road. Designed to empower parents, the platform offers a range of engaging resources that complement hands-on learning experiences while travelling.

Key Features of Travelling Kids Academy

- ✓ Customisable Learning Paths – Whether your child thrives on traditional lessons or prefers project-based learning, Travelling Kids Academy adapts to suit your family's educational approach.
- ✓ On-the-Go Learning – Designed for mobile accessibility, lessons can be completed anywhere, whether you're in the Outback or by the beach.
- ✓ Australian Curriculum Alignment – Ensuring your child stays on track

with educational milestones while still embracing the freedom of roadschooling.

- ✓ **Community & Support** – Connect with other travelling families and educators who understand the unique challenges of schooling on the move.
- ✓ **Hands-On Learning Modules** – Encouraging kids to apply lessons to real-world scenarios, making learning both practical and exciting.

At Travelling Kids Academy, we believe that socialisation is a crucial part of a child's learning journey. Our classes are designed with a strong foundation in peer-to-peer learning, allowing kids to engage, collaborate, and grow together. To further support this, we have dedicated hubs where children can connect online, fostering friendships and organising in-person meetups. These hubs create a sense of community, making learning more interactive and ensuring that no child feels isolated while on the road.

With Travelling Kids Academy, education is no longer a rigid structure but a fluid, engaging experience that intertwines with the grand adventure of travel.



TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL ROADSCHOOLING

1. Follow a flexible routine

While one of the joys of roadschooling is flexibility, having a loose routine can help maintain consistency. Many families opt for morning learning sessions, allowing afternoons to be dedicated to exploration and hands-on learning.

2. Use the world as a classroom

- ✓ **History:** Visit historical sites, indigenous landmarks, and museums.
- ✓ **Science:** Explore natural wonders like the Great Barrier Reef, national parks, and wildlife reserves.
- ✓ **Math:** Calculate distances, fuel consumption, and grocery budgets.
- ✓ **English:** Keep travel journals, write postcards, or start a travel blog.

3. Leverage online learning resources

Apart from Travelling Kids Academy, many other platforms can support learning on the road:

- ✓ **Reading Eggs & Mathseeds** – Interactive learning for younger kids





- ✓ ABC Education – Free educational videos and activities
- ✓ Khan Academy – A great platform for older children needing structured subjects
- ✓ Duolingo – Perfect for learning a second language on the go

4. Plan for internet access and offline learning

Not every campsite has reliable Wi-Fi, so downloading lessons or having offline activities (like workbooks or printable worksheets) is a great backup plan.

5. Keep it fun and engaging

Kids learn best when they're excited and engaged. Mix up learning styles—some days can be filled with structured lessons, while others are spent exploring local attractions, watching documentaries, or simply reading under the stars.

COMMON CHALLENGES AND HOW TO OVERCOME THEM

1. Feeling overwhelmed? Start small.

If roadschooling feels daunting, start with a simple routine and gradually build on

it. Don't pressure yourself to replicate traditional school—embrace the flexibility and find what works best for your family.

2. Worried about socialisation?

Plan meet-ups.

Many travelling families arrange meet-ups at popular caravan parks, homeschooling events, or through social media groups like TAWK's online community.

3. Concerned about keeping up with curriculum? Use a mix of resources.

Combining online learning platforms like Travelling Kids Academy with real-world experiences ensures children stay on track while making learning enjoyable.

EMBRACE THE ADVENTURE OF ROADSCHOOLING

Choosing to educate your children while travelling around Australia is more than just an academic decision—it's a lifestyle choice that prioritises family bonding, real-world experiences, and a love for lifelong learning.

With support from TAWK, homeschooling communities, and innovative platforms like Travelling Kids Academy, roadschooling is not just achievable—it's an enriching, life-changing journey.

So pack up, hit the road, and let the world be your child's classroom. The greatest lessons aren't always found in books; they're discovered in the places you explore, the people you meet, and the adventures you embark on together.

Until next time, safe travels and happy learning!

