



## **Year 9 Camp 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> December 2009 (last week of Term Four)**

Dear parents / caregivers,

As promised here is some more detailed information about the above camp.

### **Programme**

The year group will be split into four mixed gender teams and appropriate staff will be assigned to them.

The programme itself involves a range of outdoor experiences. These are: kayaking/canoeing, rogaing, rock climbing, tramping, problem solving team based activities and tubing down a local creek.

There will be two overnight camping experiences, one during the tramp and the other on Thursday night at the camp ground by the Hawea river.

The camp will start at 8.30am on Monday and finish at 2pm on Friday.

### **Logistics and safety**

I am co-ordinating the camp but there will be a nominated person at school responsible for dealing with any issues arising. If you need to make contact with your child please phone 027-3229646.

### **Pre-camp planning**

This will happen in week seven (30<sup>th</sup> November to 4<sup>th</sup> December) and eight. Activity teams will be decided as will meal and camping groups. A detailed programme will also be provided with more specific information about the camp.

### **Costs and food**

The cost of the camp is \$90 and this should be paid to the school office. If you have a problem meeting this cost please contact Helen Hammond on 443 9901 ext. 805 or 443 9905 (direct line). To keep costs as low as possible students are being asked to provide their own food for the week. However, food is provided for the BBQ on Thursday night.

### **Equipment**

Students will be expected to provide their own clothing and some equipment for the week as per the gear lists attached.

If any student is unable to provide any of the gear needed they should in the first instance bring it to my attention and I will assist them to borrow the items needed. Some gear can be rented from local outdoor retailers (Mainly Tramping).

The school has a small supply of camping equipment, and may be able to help as a last resort with items like tents and cookers.

All of this information is available on the school website.

Please complete and return the attached event permission and medical forms.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me on 443 9901 ext. 820

Regards

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