3 February 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian

As you know, the Year 7 camp is in Week 3, from Wednesday 12 to Friday 14 February. We need to arrive at the camp site by 11am on Wednesday morning, so this means that we need to leave the school grounds no later than 8am. For this reason we would appreciate if your child could be at the school by **7:40am** at the latest so that we can get the bus packed, students on board, and get away on time.

- If your child has to take medication while on the camp, this medication needs to be in a sealed plastic bag or container, be clearly marked with the student’s name, and have the attached information sheet filled in and secured to the medication. This needs to be given to Mrs McLARTY who will be awaiting them near the buses. Please also remember to collect this medication on our arrival back at the school on Friday.
- The time to pick up students on Friday is 4 pm.
- Please ensure that your child has morning tea for Wednesday.

I have attached a program of the exciting activities that we have planned for your child so that you are aware of them. We believe it will be a great time of sharing and bonding in an informal setting.

Please note that **mobile phones are not allowed on the camp**. However, if you do need to contact your child for an emergency they can be contacted on the school mobile which is 0408 685 089 or Jane McLarty 0409 473 091. If you do have any concerns that have not been passed on to the school via the forms you have already completed and returned, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Yours in Christ

Rachael Wilesmith
Year 7 Year Adviser

Jane McLarty
Head of Student Services

Peter McLellan
Head of Secondary
Medical Information Sheet

Please complete the form below and attach it securely to your child’s medication for camp. This form and the medication need to be given to Mrs McLarty on the morning of our departure.

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CAMP CHECKLIST

Please ensure you have the following essential items with you on camp:

- Sleeping bag, and inner sheet and pillowcase
- Old shorts and t-shirts (i.e. casual clothes)
- Pair of jeans or similar
- Tracksuit pants
- Towel for showers
- Modest Swimwear (shirt that can get wet/ rash vest) and beach towel
- Underclothes and plenty of socks
- Shoes (including closed in comfortable sports shoes) + another old pair that can get wet for water sports
- Two warm jumpers
- Pyjamas
- Raincoat or wet weather gear (needs to be reasonable quality and with a hood)
- Toiletries
- Insect repellent (lotion not spray)
- Sunscreen and hat
- Bible (a modern version such as NIV or Good News)
- Pen and pencil
- Torch
- Drink bottle

Optional - Camera (expensive ones are best left at home)

EXTRA INFORMATION

- **Bus trip – water only to be taken on the bus.** Morning tea for arrival at camp so there is no need to eat on the bus.
- **No sharing of drink bottles or unwrapped food**
- **No Walkmans, MP3 players, radios, mobile phones, chewing gum**
- **Limit of one packet of lollies per child.** If teachers find excessive amounts of lollies on camp, they will be confiscated. If you do plan to bring lollies, make sure they are in a small Tupperware container to prevent ant attack.

Regarding Mobile Phones: We have expressed that the students not take valuables on the camp and this does include mobile phones. There are public phones, which the students may use if they need to contact you. There are also the Emergency numbers I passed onto you. We don’t encourage students to ring home regularly as it is better if they settle in to the camp and enjoy the experience of being away from home for a few days. If students are found to have mobile phones on camp, they will be asked to hand them over for the duration of the camp. I hope you can understand our position on this, but as you can imagine a lot of mobile phones on camp could cause a number of problems as well as create a security issue.

Regarding Outdoor Activities: All activities are supervised by trained staff at the camp site as well as GPCC staff. Students will be moving around in groups over the 3 days to ensure they have the opportunity to participate in all activities. At the same time, there is no pressure for the student to participate in an activity where they may feel hesitant. All activities such as rock climbing are provided with safety equipment (e.g. helmets, harnesses, etc) and full instruction is given.

REMEMBER TO MARK ALL YOUR GEAR CLEARLY WITH YOUR NAME.