



29 January 2019

## ***NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS OF YEAR 9 STUDENTS CONCERNING MANSFIELD SCHOOL CAMP***

The Year 9 school camps will be held on 19 to 22 February (Tuesday to Friday) inclusive.

The primary intention of the camps is to help students and staff to settle together quickly into the whānau house. We are also using the opportunity for some outdoor education and hope that the experience will greatly assist relationships between students, staff and classes within the school. Because one of our intentions is to encourage teamwork and house spirit, all students are expected to attend the camp.

Activities vary according to the site and could include:

Archery	Social Activities	Sports	Orienteering
Kayaking	Environmental Studies	Tramping	Confidence Courses

### **Payment and cost**

Unfortunately Macleans College receives no additional government funding in implementing the Year 9 Camp. Camp fees are **\$300.00** per person. Please pay at accounts or through the parent portal.

Should parents experience difficulties with payment please contact the relevant House Leader.

**If there are any health, dietary or behavioural considerations we should know about (such as allergies, recent sicknesses etc) please indicate on the return sheet which is attached.**

### ***Venue and Departure times are as follows:***

<b>Venue:</b>	Houghton's Bush Camp, Muriwai
<b>Departure time from school:</b>	Students meet at Mansfield Commons at 8.30am. Depart school at 9.15 am.
<b>Arrival time back to school:</b>	3.00 pm (approx)

### **Accommodation and Food**

Students will be accommodated in single-sex groups. Food is provided and prepared by camp staff. **No money** should accompany your child – all transport, food and hireage charges are covered by the camp fee.

## Supervision and Rules

There will be appropriate supervision at each camp. All school rules apply (except those regarding uniform) and camp rules set by the respective camp owners will operate.

- Respect for supervisors will be insisted upon
- Geographical and behavioural boundaries clearly outlined
- Swimming and use of equipment (such as the flying fox) will be allowed with adult supervision only
- No drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, valuables, mobile phones, ipods etc
- Serious misbehaviour will result in being sent home and as all school rules apply there will be further action taken by the school.

## **WHAT TO BRING**      *(Please name ALL articles)*

### Checklist

#### Essential Items

- Morning tea, packed lunch and drink for first day
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Toiletries (toothbrush and paste, comb, towel, etc)
- Large polythene bag for wet/dirty clothes
- Sports shoes for morning run and day activities
- Old footwear suitable to get very muddy and dirty
- Complete changes of underwear for 3 days
- Sleeping attire
- T-shirts and shorts for general and sports wear 2-3 sets
- Swimming togs and towel
- A light jersey
- One pair of long trousers
- Clothes for theme concert night
- Raincoat or waterproof parka
- Pen and paper
- Day pack
- Sun hat and sun block lotion
- Water Bottle
- Drinking Mug, Bowl, Plate (preferably plastic) & Cutlery
- Tea towels (for drying dishes)

#### Optional Items

- Insect repellent, lip screen
- Torch
- Any special medical requirements (with instructions, named in a plastic bag) to be handed to a teacher.

The camps are always a major success and we are sure this will continue.

Best wishes



Steven Hargreaves  
PRINCIPAL

**Health, Dietary and Disclosure of Behavioural Considerations**

Please return this form to the form teacher.

Health and full disclosure of behavioural considerations is important in a camp situation. Although material is included on enrolment forms, this material should be full and accurate on this return to enable staff and students to gain as much as they can from their time at camp and prevent an emergency. If you prefer, please make contact directly with the House Leader to discuss the needs of your child.

**Health and Behavioural considerations, including medication needed; allergies and recent illnesses.**

**Dietary considerations** with which the camp may be able to assist.

NB specific requirements may need to be addressed by the family.

I give my child permission to swim if the activity is offered.

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Form Class: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please cross one out)*

I/We have completed all the required information and give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to attend Year 9 camp and enclose \$300.00 for camp fees (credit card, cheque or via the parent portal on the website).

I/We have already paid for Year 9 camp.

Parent/Guardian full name printed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Form Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of payment is through the parent portal. If paying by eftpos, please bring your card with this form to the accounts office for payment.

You can also pay using *VISA OR MASTERCARD* (NO American Express or Diners)

**Card Number**

**Expiry Date**

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