



29 January 2019

**NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS OF YEAR 9 STUDENTS CONCERNING
SNELL 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:

Venue:	Motu Moana Scout Camp, Green Bay
Departure time from school:	9.00am – Students need to meet in Snell House Commons
Arrival time back to school:	2.30 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

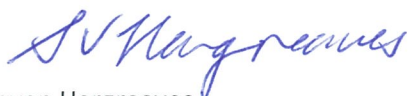
- Morning tea, packed lunch and drink for first day
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Toiletries (toothbrush and paste, comb, towel, etc)
- Large polythene bag for wet/dirty clothes
- Sports shoes for morning run and day activities
- Old footwear suitable to get very muddy and dirty
- Complete changes of underwear 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

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

