24 February 2014

Dear Parents/Guardians

RE: YEAR 11 CAMP

The Year 11 camp is being held from 17th to 21st March 2014 at Emu Gully in Helidon.

Students will need to be dropped off at school on Monday 17th March at 8.30am and picked up on Friday 21st March at 3.00pm from school.

The students are looking forward to participating in activities such as low ropes, high ropes, canoeing, raft building, mud crawling, swimming and much more! The camp provides fully qualified instructors for all activities.

Parents are reminded that it is College policy that students must attend the camp in full (which includes sleeping overnight). There will be no supervision for students at school during the time of the camp.

Your child will not be able to call home during camp. If there is an emergency and you need to contact your child between 8am and 4.00pm please ring the school on 5439 0033 and they will contact us immediately, alternatively, out of these hours please ring this mobile number 0423 173 555.

Please complete the enclosed Camp Permission Note, and check your child’s Medical Report. Should any changes need to be made please do so on this form, and then return them both to school no later than Friday 28 February. A packing list is also attached for your information.

Yours sincerely

[Signature]

Anneliese Bullock
YEAR 11 COORDINATOR

[Signature]

David Heyworth
HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL

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PACKING LIST

YEAR 11 CAMP – EMU GULLY

WHAT TO BRING:

- Pillow
- Sleeping Bag
- Sleeping Mat
- 4 changes of old clothes
- Walking shoes (2 pairs where possible in case one gets wet)
- Torch
- Sun hat
- Swimmers (T-shirt to be worn over bikinis)
- Towel
- Toiletries & other personal items
- Drink bottle (a small drink bottle is supplied with the mess kit)
- Plastic Bag for wet / dirty clothes
- Tropical strength Aerogard

NB: Sun smart clothing must be worn for all activities - NO SINGLETs PLEASE.

Asthma sufferers must have their asthma puffer on their person at all times.

WHAT NOT TO BRING:

- Mobile phones
- Ipods / MP3 players
- Ipad
- DVD players etc.
- Chewing Gum

WHY ELECTRONIC DEVICES SHOULD NOT BE BROUGHT TO EMU GULLY:

- Participants rely on peer support in "tough times" to develop their confidence
- Unless they are waterproof, they can be easily damaged
- They cannot be secured on camp
- Fostering of peer group acceptance is an important aspect of the outdoor educating experience.

Most importantly, Emu Gully in combination with participating group staff utilise the best possible combination of communication services (eg – 2-way radio / phone and internet) and, in the event of any situations / incidents, to prevent any confusion or double messages, it is vitally important that the official communication methods are the only means used.
CAMP PERMISSION FORM

As Parents/Guardians of

________________________________________________________ (student name),

________________________________________________________ (name of Parent/Guardian)

give my consent for him/her to participate in the Year 11 Camp to Helidon Campus, Emu Gully on 17 March – 21 March 2014 and agree to delegate my authority to the Staff and Instructors involved.

Teachers, other staff and instructors may take whatever disciplinary action they deem necessary to ensure the safety, well-being and successful conduct of the students as a group, or individually for the above-mentioned activity.

In the event of any accident or illness, I authorise the teacher or instructor in charge to obtain on my behalf, such medical assistance that they may deem necessary. I accept all operation, medical, paramedical and/or anaesthetic risks involved, and the responsibility for payment of any expenses thus incurred, including transport by ambulance.

I agree to meet the expenses of my child being returned to school either by a teacher accompanying him/her and then returning to camp, or by collecting my child from the camp personally. I understand that such an arrangement may be necessary due to illness, injury, or if in the opinion of the teacher-in-charge there is no co-operation of any description by my child.

In the event of my child causing deliberate damage to camp property, I agree to reimburse the camp for repair or replacement of such.

I further authorise qualified persons to administer anaesthetics and blood transfusions if such an eventuality arises, and to obtain information concerning any medical condition. If you do not authorise any of these medical procedures, then please indicate what action you want taken:

________________________________________________________________________

I submit the attached Medical Report about the above-mentioned student and include details of limitations, which he/she has for the activity concerned.

Please circle your child’s swimming ability: Good/ Fair/ Poor

Please advise us of any special dietary requirements for your son or daughter e.g. gluten-free

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In the event of my child being found using or in possession of cigarettes, alcohol or non-prescribed drugs forbidden by law, or behaving in a manner deemed as being a safety risk to others, I accept responsibility for removing or arranging to remove him/her from the school camp after notification by the teacher-in-charge.

I/We will come and collect my/our child from the campsites if their behaviour is deemed inappropriate for a school camp and will do this at my/our own expense.

Signature of Parent/Guardian________________________________________ Date: ____________________

Please note students will not be permitted to board the departing bus unless this form has been completed and submitted to the school prior to the camp.

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