

25th March 2022

Dear Parents & Caregivers



Ngaruawahia Camp – Year 7 students

We're delighted to inform everyone about our school camp in Term 2. It always stands out as one of the best experiences our school offers our students. School camps are an important and valuable way for children to learn to co-operate with others, face physical challenges and to get to know each other and their teachers outside of the classroom. All Year 7 students are invited to attend camp as well as any Year 8 students who have joined our school this year. The dates are as follows:

Year 7 Students come to school as usual 8:40am, but can wear mufti and go to their classrooms.

Parent Helpers to meet in school hall 9:00am.

Camp 1 – Students meet in hall at 9:00am **Depart:** 9:30am Monday 9th May 2022 **Return:** to school 2:40pm Wednesday 11th May 2022

(Rooms 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,15,16)

Camp 2 - Students meet in hall at 9:00am **Depart:** 9:30am Wednesday 11th May 2022 **Return:** to school 2:40pm Friday 13th May 2022

(Rooms 8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,18a,18b)

Students can then be picked up from school, and will be back in time to catch the school buses at 3:15 pm as usual if needed. We can keep parents informed of our arrival time using our school Facebook page and the bus live-tracker.

All students will travel to camp by bus. There will be space on the buses for adult helpers travelling to camp. By attending camp, we intend to cover the following Learning Outcomes:

- To meet new challenges
- To learn about ourselves, other students and teachers at our camp and develop positive relationships

A **voluntary donation payment** of up to **\$150.00** is payable from now on, either in instalments or a lump sum. Please note you can choose if you want to pay none, some or all of the camp donation. If you choose not to donate, your child will still attend camp. We expect all students to attend camp.

Why is camp a voluntary donation payment?

Royal Oak Intermediate has funding for each student attending our school in exchange for not asking for donations for curriculum costs – with the exception of donations for school camps.

This money will go toward covering the travel, accommodation and food costs for your child, cost of all activities and trained camp instructors for certain activities. The voluntary donation can be paid through the classroom money folder by your child, directly to the school office, (EFTPOS, cash or cheque) or through the online banking system.

Our school bank account number is 12-3061-0174243-00

When paying the donation in instalments or the full amount by this method, it is essential that you enter “2022 CAMP, your child’s full name and room number”. Donations are welcome from now onwards.

Adult and Parent Helpers

Without adult support at camp, it simply cannot proceed. If you are available for the role of an adult helper at camp, please email me directly on bohalloran@royaloakint.school.nz and fill in the relevant form attached with this paperwork. I will correspond via email or phone call to confirm your attendance at camp and relay important information to you as soon as I hear from you.

Where is the camp? How can I contact my child if I need to?

Ngaruawahia Campsite is located 20 minutes north of Hamilton. Please feel free to visit their website <https://www.cyc.org.nz/>. The phone number is 07-8248495. Students will not be available to speak during the day or night as they will be doing activities, so please do not call this number asking to speak to a student. Any important messages can be passed on by a teacher. Students are asked not to bring their phones or devices to camp. If you need to relay a message you can contact the camp, or the school at 09 636 5667. You can also contact the teacher in charge at camp, Lee Tibble directly on 0220841965.

What groups will my child be in? Where will they sleep?

Students will be allocated activity groups and sleeping groups in the weeks leading up to camp. They will be given an opportunity to choose their groups. We will do our best to accommodate every child so that they are happy with their placements and set up to enjoy their camp experience. Activity groups are supervised and run by adult helpers, teachers and camp instructors. Activity groups are a mix of boys and girls. Boys sleep in the boys' cabins, while girls will sleep in the girls' cabins.

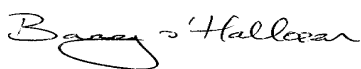
At night, teachers, adults and the Camp Instructors will be sleeping in close proximity to the student rooms. Students sleep in cabins of varying size from 4 – 10 persons and will be made aware of where and how to find adults if needed.

Parent Consent and Medical Information

A Consent and Medical Form is attached and **this must be filled out in detail**. There will be trained staff at camp with up to date First Aid Certificates and the Ngaruawahia Medical Centre will be notified of our attendance at camp. Note, the medical form requires a commitment by the family to reimburse the school for any medical expenses, should this be necessary. Any medicines the student takes regularly should be brought to school on the day your child leaves for camp, in a re-sealable bag, labelled with the student's name, at what time during the day it should be administered, and the dosage. This is to be handed to the Camp Leader who will look after it and supervise administration. The only exception to this would be inhalers for asthmatics, and these should be noted on the medical form.

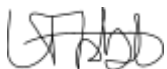
Students need to be granted consent to partake in swimming. Students will be kayaking on the camp pond where use of life-vests will be strictly observed. Items not to be brought to camp are indicated on the Gear List. Whilst we realise that parents may be interested in camp, casual visits to camp are not encouraged. The camp is on private property and is hired subject to certain conditions. Also, the arrival of family members may bring about homesickness so please make any requests of this nature in advance via email to bohallowan@royaloakint.school.nz. Thank you for your support of Camp 2022. If you have any questions about camp or have a problem that we can help with, feel free to contact me.

Kind regards



Barry O' Halloran

Deputy Principal



Lee Tibble

Teacher in charge at Camp

Please keep this at home

CAMP GEAR LIST 2022

CAMP CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT	Packed before camp	Checked by parent	Checked on return
ALL CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT MUST BE NAMED <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1 small suitcase/bag – with name tag- 1 day bag/school bag- 1 reusable water bottle- 1 large plastic rubbish bag for wet clothing			
FOOTWEAR <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sports shoes (will get wet)2. Another pair of sports shoes (dry activities)3. Jandals or slip-ons for showers & night time			
CLOTHING <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 2 x Warm jerseys/hoodies2. At least 4 t-shirts (long sleeve is fine too)3. Trousers – 2 x pairs of track pants4. 2 x pair of shorts (preferably quick dry)5. 5 x changes of underwear6. Raincoat (preferably waterproof)7. 5 x Pair of socks8. Sunhat & Beanie9. Swimming togs			
TOILET GEAR (In a washbag) <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Toothbrush2. Toothpaste3. Shower gel/Soap4. 2-3 Towels5. Hairbrush or comb6. Shampoo			
SLEEPING EQUIPMENT <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sleeping bag & bed sheet2. Under sheet to protect mattress3. Pillow4. Pillowcase5. Pyjamas6. Torch			
STATIONARY <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Camp Journal (use existing book from school)2. Pen or pencil3. Reading Material, books or comics			
FOOD <p>1. PACKED LUNCH FOR DAY 1 with full water bottle <u>One or two packets of biscuits to be handed in and shared for morning, afternoon and night time teas.</u></p>			
ENSURE WARM CLOTHES ARE PACKED			

NOT PERMITTED: SPEAKERS, RADIOS, ELECTRONIC GAMES, MONEY, LOLLIES, FIZZY DRINKS, PHONES, MAKEUP, JEWELLERY

Please return the next three pages to your child's teacher or school office

Please circle one of the options below

1. I intend on making a voluntary donation of \$ _____ **OR** I don't intend on making a voluntary donation

2. PARENT HELP

Would you like to be considered to come as an adult helper on camp, please circle YES or NO below

YES

NO

As an adult helper, you'll be asked to lead or supervise an activity during the day that you feel comfortable with for some of the duration of the camp. This could be by yourself and/or with another parent or teacher. In the evening, adult helpers can opt in or out of the activities as well as avail of the hot pools and swimming pool to relax. All transport, food and accommodation will be covered. All dietary requirements can be catered for. Ideally, we would like parents who are available to come for the full duration of Camp 1 or Camp 2. If you can't commit to the full duration, get in touch with me and we may be able to work something out.

Please return this slip as soon as possible to school and follow up with an email to me, Barry O' Halloran on bohallowan@royaloakint.school.nz. I will contact you back as soon as possible to confirm your place at camp as an adult helper. Please do contact me early on if you intend on coming to camp. Your support is always appreciated!

DIETARY NEEDS - Has your child any specific food needs? e.g. vegetarian, no beef or pork, no dairy (Please be specific of what they can and can't eat or drink)

PERMISSION – Cross out **one** of these below

I approve of _____ attending camp at Ngaruawahia, and in the event of emergency, I authorise obtaining of qualified medical assistance deemed necessary by the teacher-in-charge.

OR

I do not approve of _____ attending camp.

NAME _____ SIGNED _____ DATE _____

(Parent or Caregiver)

PHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Ngaruawahia Camp Consent & Medical Form

Please return to school

Child's name: _____ D.O.B: _____ Room Number: _____

Parent or Caregiver's name: (1) _____ Mobile Phone No: (1) _____

Parent or Caregiver's name: (2) _____ Mobile Phone No: (2) _____

Home Phone No: _____ Home address: _____

Alternative Emergency Contact Person: _____

Relationship to student: _____ Phone No: _____

MEDICAL

Family Doctor's Name: _____ Surgery Phone No: _____

Please tick if your child suffers from any of the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bed Wetting | <input type="checkbox"/> Any type of Fits | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Condition | <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma | <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dizzy Spells | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleepwalking | <input type="checkbox"/> Blackouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Migraine | <input type="checkbox"/> Travel Sickness |

Other (Please specify)

Any triggers to allergies i.e. Asthma, epileptic fits etc? _____

Allergies to:

- | | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Penicillin | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Drugs | <input type="checkbox"/> Any Foods | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
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Please specify if any special care is recommended:

Tetanus immunisation – year of last tetanus immunisation: _____

(Tetanus is usually given at five years old (as Triple Antigen or CDT) and at fifteen years old (as ADT))

Tablets and medicines – Is your child presently taking any tablets or medication? YES / NO

If yes, please state the name of the medication, dosage, times to be take etc:

All medication must be handed to the teacher-in-charge prior to leaving. All containers must be labelled with your child's name, the dose to be taken and when it should be taken. These are kept with a teacher and distributed where required. If it's necessary for your child to carry his or her own medication (e.g. asthma inhalers), it must be with the knowledge and awareness of both the teacher-in-charge and yourself.

Previous experience – is this the first time your child has been away from home? Yes No

Consent to Medical Attention

Where the teacher-in-charge of the excursion is unable to contact me, or it is otherwise impractical to contact me, I authorise the teacher-in-charge to:

- Consent to my child receiving such medical or surgical attention as may be deemed necessary by a medical practitioner.
- Administer such first aid as the teacher-in-charge may judge to be reasonably necessary.

I also agree to reimburse the school for any medical costs incurred e.g. Medical Centre charges, prescriptions, X-Rays.

Signature of parent or caregiver: _____ Date: _____

BEHAVIOUR – Please discuss beforehand with your child the behaviour expected whilst on camp. The same policies at school are to be adhered to whilst away. In short, students should display our RERE values (Respect, Excellence, Resilience and Empathy).

Should any serious behaviour problem arise which would be detrimental to the well-being of others present, I understand my child will be sent home at my expense.

Signature of parent or caregiver: _____

ACTIVITIES –

1. I allow my child to participate in: Supervised Swimming and Water Activities YES / NO

Signed: _____ Date: _____