



St Mary's College Toowoomba

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20 April 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

The Year 11 leadership camp for 2017 is fast approaching. The camp is to be held on **Wednesday 16th August to Friday 18th 2017** (i.e. three days and two nights). The cost of the camp will be **\$270.00** payable to the College by **Wednesday 2 August 2017**. Please enclose the payment slip when making payment.

This year's camp will be at the Emu Gully Adventure Camp in Helidon. The camp is designed to challenge the boys in team-based activities over the two days. Every activity is in the ANZAC tradition: Rats of Tobruk, Kokoda Track etc. The focus of this camp is to encourage the boys to take on leadership roles within their group. As well as College staff being in attendance, trained and highly-experienced instructors will guide your son through the various activities.

Programme

The camp instructors guide the boys in group activities over the three days. The boys will be challenged physically in terms of group work and effective team dynamics.

Further information is available on the camp's website: <http://www.emugully.com.au/>

The bus will depart from the College (Margaret Street) on **Wednesday 16th August at 9am**. We will return to the College by **2:30pm on Friday 18th August 2017**.

Attendance

As a student of St Mary's College it is a requirement to be involved in the Outdoor Education Programme and it is expected that all Year 11 students will attend the camp; the positive outcomes of this camp will be invaluable for the boys in this year group.

Exemptions are only made in special circumstances, for instance, in the case of a significant medical condition. An application for non-attendance must be requested from, and returned to, Mr Andrew Nielsen, the Assistant Principal – Student Welfare, for his consideration. Students will still be invoiced if permission for non-attendance is not granted and/or late notification is provided. (This is outlined in the College's Outdoor Education Programme – a copy of which is available for perusal at the College's reception.)

Transport

Students may be dropped at the venue and collected from the venue by personal transport, **only** if the College is notified in writing by Monday 20th July. All other students will travel to the Camp by buses arranged by the College. No student will be dropped at any other venues by the bus between the Camp and the College.

School Rules

This is a school camp. As a result normal school rules and corresponding school responses to inappropriate behavior will apply.

Contact

In case of emergency – Contact Emu Gully Office on **4697 6631** and our staff will be notified immediately

Permission

Please return the attached permission slip and medical form at your earliest convenience. All forms and payment are required at the College no later than **Wednesday 2nd August 2017**.

If you have any concerns regarding the camp please contact me at the College.

Thank you for your support of this experience for your son.

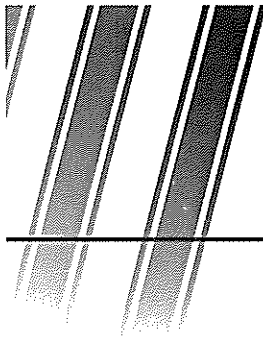
Yours sincerely



Mr Sean Albion
Year 11 Camp Co-ordinator
Head of Purcell House



Mr Michael Newman
Principal



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MEDICAL ISSUES

IMPORTANT!

It is crucial that the College has up-to-date medical information for your son before we embark on camp. We ask that you complete the attached medical form and return it to the College at your earliest convenience. This form will be checked against current information and updated accordingly.

MEDICATION WHILST ON CAMP!

Should your son require any medication over the three days, including asthma medication, the following is expected:

- Meet Mr Albion at the front of the College prior to departure on Wednesday 16th August 2017 to sign medication into his care
- Have medication in a clear plastic bag
- Clearly label with name, dosage requirements, times indicated

Asthma puffers will be handed out when we arrive at camp, as they will need to be carried with them for all activities.

All medication will need to be collected at the end of the camp by an adult

PAYMENT SLIP

YEAR 11 CAMP (235/2278)

\$270.00

Family Code:

Student Name:

CASH CHEQUE DIRECT DEPOSIT CREDIT CARD VISA / MASTERCARD

CARD NUMBER: _____ EXPIRY ____ / ____

CARDHOLDER NAME: _____

Bank Account details for Direct Deposits:

BSB: 064 433

Account: 0092 7707

Reference: Family Code Yr11Camp

PLEASE ENSURE PAYMENT IS MADE NO LATER THAN 2ND AUGUST 2017

Medicines

The College should be given clear written instructions on any personal medication that the participant will be taken during the program, to prevent any possible confusion which could arise from verbal experiences. Medication should also be placed in a plastic bag with the written instructions.

Will your son be taking medication while on camp? YES NO

Do you authorise the provision of paracetamol to the student should the need arise?

YES NO Signed: _____

If "yes", please state the dosage: _____

Dietary Requirements

Please give details of any special dietary requirements (eg. Vegetarian, lactose intolerance)

Declaration

I give permission for my son _____ to participate in the Year 11 Emu Gully Leadership Camp and all associated activities.

I hereby give my consent and authorise the person in charge to obtain such medical attention as may be deemed necessary and I understand that I am responsible for the costs.

Student Signature: _____ Date: ___/___/___

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: ___/___/___

If you would like any further information or would like to discuss anything regarding the program, please feel free to contact **Mr. Albion Year 11 Leadership Camp Coordinator**, email albions@stmaryscollege.com



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Year 11 Leadership Camp Student Medical Details

Student Details

Surname		First Name	
Date of Birth			
Address			
Medicare No		Expiry Date	

Emergency Contacts

Emergency Contact 1		Emergency Contact 2	
Name		Name	
Relationship		Relationship	
Ph No (H)		Ph No (H)	
Ph No (W)		Ph No (W)	

Medical Conditions

Has the student ever suffered from:	YES	NO	If YES, give details
Communicable Disease			
Sugar Diabetes			
Epilepsy			
Heart Problems			
Blood Pressure Problems			
Respiratory Problems			
Allergies (Foods, drugs, ointments, insects, etc)			
Appendix removed			
Recent Operations			
Recent or ongoing injuries			
Recent Illness			
Phobias			
Bed Wetting			
Others (Please list)			
Last Tetanus Booster		Date:	



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YR 11 CAMP 16th – 18th August 2017 Emu Gully Adventure Education

What to Bring:

- Three sets of old clothes, including a collared shirt
- Sun hat
- Swimmers
- Towels (2)
- Water bottle
- Sturdy walking shoes or joggers
- Plus some very old joggers (shoes will get muddy)
- Thongs
- Pillow
- Sleeping bag
- Torch
- Personal toiletries
- Sunscreen
- Garbage bags (for wet clothes)
- Raincoat
- Underwear
- Socks (a number of pairs)
- Warm clothes to sleep in
- Pen
- Pencil
- Paper

What **NOT** to Bring:

- Money
- Ipods, Ipads, MP3s, PSPs, Discman, Radio, Computer Games, DVDs etc
- Lollies/Chewing gum
- Junk food
- Aerosol cans
- Mobile phones

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 education experience

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

Expectations

Normal College school rules and associated consequences apply while on camp