10 February 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

YEAR 10 OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAMME

As you know the College has an Outdoor Education Programme which is a COMPULSORY component of College life in Years 7 to 10.

I am grateful for the high level of student involvement and parent support for this programme. The vast majority of the boys enjoy the experiences provided and gain a lot from them. I am particularly impressed by those boys who may not embrace this type of activity enthusiastically but are still prepared to face the challenges provided - in many ways these boys gain even more from that experience.

The Year 10 component of this programme will take place in Term 1, Week 6. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THIS WEEK IS KEPT FREE OF OTHER COMMITMENTS.

DATE: Monday 2nd March to Friday 6th March
LOCATION: Coolendel, Shoalhaven River
ACTIVITIES: Canoeing, Abseiling, Rock Climbing, Bushwalking
DEPARTURE: Students depart form the College on Monday 2nd March at 8.30am (Students catch normal buses to school)
RETURN: Students will return to the College by 2.30pm on Friday 6th March and will need to arrange transportation home.

The Year 10 camp, being of 5 days duration, builds on the experiences of earlier years. It is also the camp that the boys speak most about in later years. It is not a static, unchanging one. Over the years we have made many alterations to venues, length and range of experiences etc in order to best cater for varied student outdoor experiences. We anticipate that the students will benefit from the early camp for their studies throughout Year 10 and at the same time ‘free up’ the remainder of the year from major disruptions as the students prepare for their final Year 10 examinations.

Any questions about these activities should be directed in the first instance to Mr Mitchell (Year Coordinator).

The outdoor camp will require the use of a 70 litre backpack which can be hired from Optimum Experiences. The hiring cost is $40.00.

As you would be aware the cost of the camp is covered by your son’s school fees.

Please complete the Reply Slip below and the attached Optimum Experiences Medical & Safety Information form and return both to your son’s Home Room Organiser by Monday, 16th March.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we continue to provide activities to maximise learning opportunities for our students.

Yours sincerely

MR S TADROS
Deputy Principal

Reply Slip: Please return this to your Home Room Organiser by Monday 16th February

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Student's Name: ____________________________ Home Room: ______
Transport Home: ___________________________________________________________
Signed: ____________________________________________________________________ Parent/Carer Date: __________

☐ Tick if your son requires a Back Pack from Optimum Experiences (Hiring Cost $40.00)