



31 Auld Street
St Kilda
Dunedin
(03) 455 3994

Parent Information Notice

Dates - Monday 21st - Friday 25th September

Number of Students

20 students - 4 Adults (Mr Scoles + 3 others)

At Tahuna we provide a Leadership opportunity which involves an Outdoor Education Experience at Stewart Island.

All students at Tahuna are encouraged to apply for this opportunity (last year there were over 50 applicants). Students with proven leadership skills and that have shown excellent all-round skills on Tahuna school camps have preference. To be considered students need to submit a letter to the Principal stating why they should be chosen to participate in this unique outdoor activity. A letter of endorsement from their class teacher is also required. **Applications must be received by the 31st July.**

Fitness

All successful applicants will need to have an excellent level of fitness as it is a demanding week. All activities on the camp are compulsory and no exceptions will be made.

Proposed activities

Tramping - Lee Bay to Maori Beach return or loop to Kaipipi / Ryans Creek
Exploration around Oban (There are heaps of awesome short walks to explore around the township)
Ulva Island - Science (Living World) visit to predator free sanctuary
Conservation - Night-time lesson looking at the work done by DOC on the island + Ringaringa Beach study with DOC.
Museum - Social Sciences (History) Investigate the history of Stewart Island through Museum visit and follow up activities. The Museum is brand spanking new!
Fishing - Charter - tied in with visit to Ulva Island. Catch & eat Blue Cod, paua, kina etc...
Kiwi Spotting - This year we are staying inside a predator free sanctuary. Awesome opportunity to see kiwi in the wild.

Costs \$380 per student

Allow a little (\$20 max) spending money for treats from the shop and lunch on the last day at Subway in Invercargill.

Accommodation

Accommodation will be at <https://www.mamakupoint.nz/> where we have booked the entire complex. Mamaku Point is a pretty special place fully enclosed in a predator fence. We have shifted from our previous accommodation at Bunkers Backpackers.

Gear

It would be a good idea to start making sure you have access to a good sleeping bag, good waterproof jacket (school has some if needed) and suitable footwear and headlamp. At least two pairs of shoes that will get muddy and wet and are suitable for walking good distances.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Roddy Scoles
Deputy Principal
roddyscoles@tahuna.school.nz