

Camp Information Evening

31st October - 3rd November, 2016

Tonight's Overview

- Introduction
- Why are we going
- to camp?
- Map
- Groupings
- Programme
- Activities
- Build-Up
- Health & Safety
- Routines & Rules
- Food
- Cost
- Parent Responsibilities

Camp is a meaningful, real-world learning experience. We integrate all areas of the curriculum into the experiences before, during and after camp.

Why are we going?

To give children opportunities for:

- Fun
- Building confidence
- Independence
- Promoting our school values and learner disposition
- Managing change
- Emotional, social and physical learning
- Taking on challenges
- Going outside comfort zone
- Life skills
- Supporting others
- A very different environment where children can persevere, shine and succeed.

Why are we going?

Board of Trustees Education
Outside of the Classroom Policy

Social, emotional and physical development and learning in all curriculum areas are enhanced by providing educationally relevant and enjoyable opportunities to explore and learn beyond the normal classroom environment.

YMCA Camp Adair



Equipment

A detailed gear list will be coming home closer to the date.

- Vital everything is named.
- Will need a good pair of covered shoes for tramping. Will also need a pair of shoes that can get wet and muddy.
- Will need clothes that will keep them warm and dry, ie. thermals.
- Will need a rain-proof raincoat.
- No electronics.

Cabin Groups

Groupings of Children

- Cabin groups are social groupings.
- There are separate boys and girls cabins.
- Children get to request who they would like to be with.
- All senior school teachers will meet to collate cabin groups taking children's requests, and our understanding and knowledge of the children into careful consideration.

Activity Groups

Groupings of Children

- Activity groups include a wide range of children across year and class groups.
- We see these groups as an important opportunity for children to get to know and support children with whom they may not normally spend time with.
- Children will get to know each other and work together in the lead-up to camp.




Cabin & Activity

Group

Supervision

- Each cabin and activity group will have an adult supervising them for the week.
- Each day there will be another adult rostered to help support the group for the day.

2016 Camp Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8.30 Meet at school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hand in baking and tea towels at school - Load buses 	7.00 Wake up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tidy cabin - Breakfast prep duties 	7.00 Wake up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tidy cabin - Breakfast prep duties 	7.00 Wake up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pack bags - Breakfast prep duties
9.30 Depart School	7.30 Breakfast & Duties	7.30 Breakfast & Duties	7.30 Breakfast & Duties
10.30 Arrive at Camp <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unload buses - Drive to Hunua Falls for tramp. 	8.45 - 10.15 First Activity 10.15 Morning tea 10.30 - 12.00 Second Activity	8.45 - 10.15 First Activity 10.15 Morning tea 10.30 - 12.00 Second Activity	8.45 - 10.15 First Activity 10.15 Morning tea 10.30 - 12.00 Second Activity
	12.00 - 12.45 Lunch	12.00 - 12.45 Lunch	12.00 - 12.45 Lunch
11.30 Morning tea at Hunua Falls	12.45 - 2.15 Activity Three 2.15 Afternoon Tea 2.30 - 4.00 Activity Four	12.45 - 2.15 Activity Three 2.15 Afternoon Tea 2.30 - 4.00 Activity Four	12.45pm Pack Down <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Finish packing bags - Clean cabins - Clean camp
12.00 - 3.00 Tramp including lunch at the top of Killer Hill.	4.00 - 5.30 Mudslide	4.00 - 5.30 Downtime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sports, art, reading, singing. 	1.30pm Load buses
3.00 Arrive at camp <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Afternoon tea - Settle into cabins. 	5.30 Showers 6.00 Dinner & duties 7.00 Diary Writing 8.00 Burma Trail 9.00 Supper & Bedtime	5.30 Showers 6.00 Dinner & duties 7.00 Diary Writing 8.00 Camp fire 9.00 Supper & Bedtime	2.00pm Depart 3.00pm Arrive at School
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Activities

- Confidence course
- Climbing wall
- Rambo bridge
- Initiative challenges
- Raft building
- Islands in the sky
- Flying kiwi
- Orienteering
- Archery
- Air rifles
- Camp cooking

Evenings

- Diary writing
- Glow worm walk
- Burma trail
- Campfire

Camp Preparation

Build Up

- In the lead up to camp children are involved in learning and activities with both their cabin and activity groups.
- This enables the different groups to bond and learn about each other in the school environment so when they get to camp they have a strong culture of support and understanding.

Camp Preparation

Build Up

- Facing Fears and Challenges
- Flora and Fauna
- History and Legends of Hunua Ranges
- Geography and Mapping
- Care of Environment
- Goal Setting
- Star-Gazing

Camp Preparation

Build Up

- Bush Safety
- Flora and Fauna
- Team-building
- Knot-tying
- Orienteering
- Table Etiquette
- Packing Gear
- Duties
- Managing down time
- Reflecting
- Health & Hygiene
- Sun Safety

Camp Preparation

Build Up

- St John First Aid Course
- Camp Books, including diary entries
- Run to Camp
- Budgeting
- Singing for Camp Fire
- Role Play of Scenarios, eg. Homesickness

Safety

Health & Safety

- YMCA provide qualified instructors for all day time activities.
- YMCA provide risk management plans for all instructor-led activities.
- Westmere RAMS form for all other times.
- Parents allocated to each activity and cabin group.
- Teachers roving to support and oversee.

Health

Health & Safety

- Info on file at camp
- Camp Doctor
- Teacher in Charge: Di
- Medication: Parents are required to bring medication labelled with name and dosage, hand in at medical station and fill in form.
- Hand sanitiser for use before eating, as extra precaution, not replacement for hand-washing.
- Day packs for tramp need medication required for that day in them, eg. Asthma Inhaler.

Vulnerable Children's Act

Health & Safety

- New Vulnerable Children's Act all schools are required to Police Vet all persons working with children.
- Ministry of Education recommends that we do so as best practice, especially if the volunteers will be alone with students or have overnight contact with children.
- Police Checks are taking approximately 4 weeks to process.
- All parents who would like to come to camp are asked to complete a police check now so there are no disappointments.

Camp Rules & Routines

- At all times treat people, property and the environment with respect.
- The phone is for emergency use only, by teachers and other adults.
- Persistent misbehaviour will result in children being sent home from camp.

Food

- Camp caterers will provide breakfast, lunch and dinner
- We provide morning, afternoon teas and supper
- We will notify the caterers and parents arranging food of allergies
- We will ask for this information on forms you will fill in closer to camp

Cost

The cost for each child to attend camp is \$285. This includes:

- Instructed activities.
- Rental for mudslide, burma trail, glow worms, camp fire.
- Initiatives
- Firewood
- Accommodation
- Food
- Transport
- Final commercial clean
- First aid course
- Camp Books

In the past, some families have generously helped other children to attend camp by contributing anonymously to a silent fund.

We do not want cost to be a barrier to any child attending camp.

Please see one of the teachers, Deborah Peace or Julie if you have any concerns or queries around this.

Parent Helpers' Meeting

- Essential for all parents helping at camp
- Details to be confirmed closer to camp