

15th October, 2018

Year 10 Bushcraft camp 2018

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

This term on the 19th of November to the 29th of November the year 10 students will be taking part in their annual bushcraft expedition into the Waihaha hut in the Pureora Forest Park. The tramp takes approximately four hours each way, following easy contour. The students stay overnight in tents next to the Waihaha hut. During the tramp they cover outdoor skills like map reading/ navigation, compass use, identifying native flora and fauna and a little bit of history on the area. The students self cater in groups after planning their menu in their Physical Education Health periods. There is a consent form provided along with an equipment list. This equipment list needs to be followed as in the past we have had students show up in inappropriate clothing and with far to bigger packs! Packs, sleeping bags, tents and jackets can be hired from school and the students will be supplied a gas cooker for preparing their meals but will need to supply a fuel canister.

The students leave from school at 9am and return to school by 3pm the next afternoon so they can catch buses.

The cost of the bushcraft camp is \$40. This covers camping fees, transport and relief costs. Please do not let this be a barrier to your child participating in the camps. If you contact me at school then arrangements can be made. Consent forms and payments need to be returned to school on Friday the 9th of November.

A final newsletter will finalise dates and when I have worked out numbers and sent home. Any problems, enquiries or if you are keen on coming on a trip I can be contacted at school at hs@tauhara.school.nz

Yours sincerely

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Equipment list for year 10 Bushcraft program. Waterproof jackets, bed rolls and packs can be hired from the college for a cost of \$5 per item. Students to indicate if they need to hire equipment on consent form when they return it to school.

- Pack
- Sleeping bag
- Waterproof Raincoat
- Footwear x 2 (shoes and jandals or two pairs of shoes)
- Shorts suitable for walking x 1
- Woolen hat and gloves
- Polypropylene shirt x 2
- Long johns x2
- Small Towel
- Woolen Jersey x 2
- Warm Pants x 1
- Sleeping mat
- Insect repellent
- Eating utensils (plate, mug, spoon, knife)
- Tea Towel
- Torch + batteries
- Snack food + meals planned with class.
- Gas cooker/canister
- Togs/ Sunscreen

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Consent form for Year 10 Bushcraft expedition 2018

I/we do consent to _____
from class _____ to attend year 10 Bushcraft.

I/we authorize staff of Tauhara College to obtain any medical assistance that, in their opinion is necessary in the event of accident or sickness.
To the best of my/our knowledge our child has no medical or physical disability that is likely to prove detrimental to him/her or others during the trip.
Would you please be aware that our child suffers from

Our child would also like to hire the following equipment:

- Pack @ \$5
- Waterproof jacket @ \$5
- Bed roll @ \$5
- Sleeping bag @ \$5

Signature of caregiver: _____ Phone _____
Number: _____
Address _____
