



Waratah Bay Camp 2010

Friday 19th February 2010

Parent Consent Form

Title of Excursion: Senior School Camp – Waratah Bay Camp

Dates: 31st May, 1st June and 2nd June

Cost: \$270.00 per student

This covers all accommodation, food and transport costs. (With exception of lunch and play lunch on the first day)

There will be no need for any other money and students do not require any cash.

Educational purpose of the program:

The senior camp is a Biannual Camp for students in grades 4, 5 and 6 and is the final step in the Camping Program at Mickleham Primary School.

The Waratah Bay Camp activities encourage students to interact with their peers and other appropriate adults outside normal school hours, without the supervision of their own parents. This leads to increased confidence and further development of social skills through experiencing activities that promote team building, thinking strategies, problem solving and leadership skills. With fully trained Camp Waratah Bay staff and staff from Mickleham Primary School the students will be encouraged to work through a variety of challenges. Students will experience a sense of achievement and satisfaction at facing challenges and overcoming them to the best of their ability.

This camping experience away from home will assist students to further develop their independence. There may times where a student will feel uncertain, whether it is caused by being away from home, peer pressure issues, or skills involved in the physical activities. Learning strategies that will assist them to deal with these issues will help through the Transition Process to Secondary School.

All camp experiences will be supported by social competency and learning strategies back at school.

Details of Supervising Staff:

Darren Horton – Classroom Teacher

Denise Cocking – Classroom Teacher

Sue Crispe – Support

Laurie Long – First aid

Name and contact details of the 24-hour school emergency contact:

Robyn Legg

Teacher Mickleham Primary

0438 045 208

Jodi Lewis

Business Manager Mickleham Primary

0401 448 994

Departure Details:

Time: 9:00am – School Car Park (southern end)

Date: Monday 31st May 2009

Arrival at Camp Waratah: Lunch time

Students will need to arrive at school by 8:45, with all their luggage and meet in the library.
Students will need to bring their own lunch and play lunch for the first day.

The following support vehicle with full comprehensive insurance will be travelling with the group

Vehicles Registration: USB 617

Licensed Driver: Susan Crispe

Return Details:

Depart Waratah Bay: 12:30

Arrival at Mickleham Primary School: 3:45

Distance from expert medical care:

The students will be 24kms away from expert medical care:

Foster Medical Centre phone: 5682 2088

South Gippsland Hospital: phone: 5683 9777

Accommodation arrangements:

The students and staff will be accommodated in bunk rooms under a single roof line.
Each room accommodates up to 8 people and has its own bathroom.

Travel arrangements:

Transport to and from the Camp Waratah Bay – Dyson Bus Service coach fitted with seatbelts.

The majority of activities occur at the camp site and require no transportation.

Chicken Rock, Rock pool scramble and the night walk are within walking distance.

In the case of an emergency and individual student may be transported using the support vehicle listed above, driven by a member of staff.

Adventure activities to be undertaken:

Walk to Chicken Rock

Rock Pool Scramble

Tabloid sports

Flying Fish Swing

Boulder Wall Climb

Possum Ropes / Ringtail Scramble

Night walk and campfire

Games – beach cricket, football, soccer, Frisbees etc.

Activities within this program present the potential for students to sustain physical injury. At no time will a student be required to complete an activity if they are feeling unsafe about the requirements. The following procedures will be implemented – along with other strategies to manage the potential risks in the program.

- All activities will be supervised by Mickleham Primary School staff
- Boulder Wall Climb, Possum Ropes, Ringtail Scramble at times may require the students to be between 30cm and 45cm from the ground. Each of these activities is regularly checked for safety by the camp staff and has playground mulch installed underneath. Children work in pairs and only one pair completes the course at time. The children are shown how to spot (support) each other over the course to minimise the likelihood of falling and they are supervised by a staff to minimise the likelihood of falling and they are supervised by a staff member.
- All walks are supervised with a ratio of one staff member to 10 students.

- The Rock Pool Scramble is lead by a trained coordinator who will lift specimens from the water to show to students. No student will be permitted to touch any sea creature without supervision.
- Flying Fish Swing – this swing requires an individual student to be fitted into a safety harness, fitted with a helmet and goggles prior to undertaking the activity. The student is then hoisted into the air and the swing let go. NO student will be required to participate in this activity unless they feel comfortable with the activity. The swing is safety checked regularly and operated by a trained member of Camp Waratah staff. Students are able to determine how high they wish the swing to be lifted. Specific parent permission will be required for each student before they will be allowed to participate in this activity.

Mickleham Primary provides qualified first aid supervision (an Emergency Responder) and first aid kit
 All staff are aware of the location of the Medical Centre and Hospital in Foster 24kms away
 A support vehicle is provided by Mickleham Primary School. A risk management plan for this program has been developed by staff and is available for parents to review on request.

Attachments:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Daily itinerary | <input type="checkbox"/> | Clothing list |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Medical form | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Parent Consent | | |

Student Behaviour:

I understand that in the event of my son's / daughter's misbehaviour or any behaviour that poses a danger to himself / herself or others during the camp, he / she may be sent home. I further understand that in such circumstances I will be informed and that any costs associated with his/her return will be my responsibility.

Consent for emergency transportation:

In the event of an emergency I consent to my child being transported in a privately owned vehicle driven by a member of the supervisory staff listed above. If it should be deemed necessary an ambulance will be called to transport a child to hospital. The decision to call an ambulance will be made by the First aid staff and teacher in charge.

Student accident insurance:

The Department of Education does not provide student accident cover. Parents may wish to obtain student accident insurance cover from a commercial insurer, depending on their health insurance arrangements and any other personal considerations.

Photograph consent:

I also consent to my child being photographed and / or visual images of my child being taken during activities by the school for use in the school's newsletter, website or publications or for publicity purposes without acknowledgment and without being entitled to any remuneration or compensation.

I have read all the above information provided by the school in relation to the Senior School Camp Waratah Bay, including any attached material.

I give permission for my daughter / son _____ (full name) to attend the Waratah Bay camp and to participate in the activities as outlined in the camp program and I accept my responsibility as it applies to student behaviour, emergency transportation and student accident insurance.

I am also aware of the following activities as described above and give my consent as follows:

- I give permission for my daughter / son to participate in the Flying Fish Swing activity
- I do not give permission for my daughter / son to participate in the Flying Fish Swing activity

- I give consent for my child's photograph to be taken
- I do not give consent for my child's photograph to be taken

Parent / guardian: _____ (full name)

_____ (signature) _____ (date)

In case of emergency I can be contacted on:

OR:

Please Note:

Parents should also complete the confidential medical information for school council approved school excursions form attached.

No child will be able to attend this camp unless both forms are completed and returned to school at least one week prior to the event.

Susan Crispe

Principal

Darren Horton

Camp Coordinator