



Friday 11 November 2022

Year 5 & 6 – Overnight Great Aussie Bush Camp 2022
TEA GARDENS CAMPUS- Pacific Highway, Tea Gardens - (02) 4997 3044
Wednesday 7th December – Friday 9th December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our combined Kentlyn and Ruse Great Aussie Bush Camp is fast approaching and there is certainly excitement in the air 😊

In the lead up to the camp, there will be several meetings and administrative forms that will need to be completed and forwarded to the camp before our arrival. We appreciate your assistance in returning these forms to the office by the due date. Teachers attending and supervising the students are Mr Borst and Mrs Harris. Our accommodation this year is at Great Aussie Bush Camp, **Tea Gardens.**

It is expected that the coach **will leave Kentlyn Public School at 8.30am** sharp on Wednesday 7 December 2022. **All students must be at school by 8.10am**, to mark roles and organise luggage onto the bus. **Students can wear comfortable mufti clothes and must be wearing closed in shoes.** It is anticipated that the bus will return to Kentlyn Public School at 2.45pm on Friday 9 December (please note should this time vary, we will update parents via Seesaw app).

Just in case, please also ensure that if your child normally catches the bus, they have alternate transportation if the coach is late.

We would like to acknowledge and thank our great P&C for paying the full coach fee of \$2,000 for this excursion once again. This is how we were able to keep the total cost of the 3-day camp at \$300.

Activities are now confirmed. They are as follows:

- ✓ Indoor rock climbing
- ✓ Night activities – Campfire, Commando and County Fair
- ✓ Dual flying fox
- ✓ Giant swing
- ✓ High Ropes
- ✓ Canoeing
- ✓ Lost Island
- ✓ Archery

The Great Aussie Bush Camp has its own souvenir shop on site. Prior to departure, the students may choose to browse the memorabilia items available. Prices range from \$1.00 up to \$10.00. **Students can place their spending money in a sealed envelope with their name and total amount and hand that in to Mrs Harris, before leaving.**

MEDICATION:

➤ Students that require medication during the camp are requested to bring their medicine in a **container, clearly marked** with the **student's name** and **instructions / doses**, ie: **if you have asthma bring your Ventolin**. Any medication is to be given to your supervising teacher prior to leaving for camp. Medication is to be in **original packaging with labels**.

➤ **Please note** that this also includes over the counter pain relievers such as Panadol and Nurofen, if you are concerned that your child may need to take such medication over the three days, please include this and provide to supervising teacher.

LIST OF ITEMS TO PACK:

It is a good idea for student to pack their own bags so that they can re pack for the trip home.

- Refillable Water bottle.
- Cup (used for morning/afternoon tea and supper)
- Raincoat (regardless of forecast)
- Hat or cap
- Sleeping bag (extra blanket)
- Pillow
- Sunscreen SPF 30+
- 1 pair pyjamas
- Day pack (small backpack for water, sunscreen, etc)
- Torch (make sure it works before you leave home)
- Toiletries (with soap, washer, toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, comb)
- Deodorant – **no aerosol cans**
- Insect repellent
- 2 pairs of runners (1 old pair for water activities)
- Thongs – only for going to and from showers
- 3 T-shirts needed, no singlet / tank tops / midriff tops (for safety on activities)
- 4 sets of underwear
- 3 pairs of shorts – **NO MINI SHORTS** (for safety on activities)
- 3 pairs of track pants
- 2 jumpers / Jacket
- 3 pair socks
- Bath towel
- Beach towel and swimmers
- Tissues / hankies
- Plastic bags for wet clothes / towels
- Optional – camera
- Money for souvenirs (\$20 maximum) Please hand in a sealed envelope to Mrs Harris with name and amount before leaving on Wednesday morning.
- Please ensure all medications are labelled, in original packaging with clear instructions.
- Please also ensure that all belongings are labelled.**


Highly Recommended: A book to read

Teachers take no responsibility for money or valuables that students choose to bring, if they did not hand them in to Mrs Harris before they leave on Wednesday morning.

PLEASE NOTE:

- **No aerosol cans**
- **No electronic devices** – eg. Mobile phones, ipads, ipods etc
- **No junk food**

Please make sure students have everything on the list and that students pack only what is on the list. This includes a cup for drinks at morning and afternoon breaks. Please make sure that students do

not bring any electronic games etc. A camera is  permissible.

Please don't pack any food, drinks lollies or chocolate in the students' bags, it encourages insects and small animals into cabins. Students also eat them at the wrong times and miss out on eating decent meals at eating times.

Should any child's behaviour cause serious concern the parent/s or guardian/s will be notified immediately and required to collect their child from Great Aussie Bush Camp, Tea Gardens.

We are looking forward to this excursion to Great Aussie Bush Camp. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

***Please Note:* School representation and attendance at excursions, special school activities and out of school activities is dependent upon the continued demonstration of appropriate behaviour and an appropriate attitude in all aspects of school life.**

Regards

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