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Year 11/12 HSC PREPARATION CAMP

Tahlee Campsite, Tahlee.

Wednesday 20 February – Friday 22 February 2019

The camp will give all senior students a chance to continue learning about themselves as learners and give students strategies in order to improve their study techniques and habits in preparation for the upcoming HSC examinations. Students will participate in a variety of sessions aimed at increasing their knowledge about how to learn, how to take notes, how to revise, how to think creatively and critically as well as how to ace their exams. Students will also receive up to date information on university application and early entry to university. This year guest speakers from Elevate Education as well as College staff will again provide motivational sessions on study skills, techniques and tips for improving results as students move towards the end of their schooling.

Dear Parents/Carers

Please read the following information carefully regarding the 2019 HSC Preparation Camp

Purpose:

Camps are one of the most effective ways for students to build relationships with one another. Students are able to strengthen relationships with existing friends, as well generate new friendships with others. These final 2 years of non-compulsory schooling are a very valuable time for students to grow in relationship with each other and their teachers.

This camp is compulsory for all Year 11 & 12 students, including students who work and attend TAFE (students must notify their TAFE teacher), as it gives essential knowledge, motivation and techniques to students in preparation for their HSC examinations. Students will need to make necessary arrangements with part-time jobs in order to attend.

Departure Time and Travel:

Students will be travelling by coach and leaving the College at 9:30am on Wednesday 20 February and returning in time for afternoon buses on Friday 22 February. Students who reside in the Nambucca/Forster/Tuncurry area will be permitted to be picked up and dropped off at Nambucca. Students are not permitted to drive themselves to or from Camp. If your child suffers from travel sickness it would be appreciated if you could provide them with suitable medication. This will need to be given to staff on the morning of departure, clearly labelled with your child's name and dosage instructions.

Staff:

Supervision at the camp will be provided by Mr Day (Camp Coordinator 0415 223 359 call or text), Mr Craig, Mrs Macpherson, Mr English, Mrs Fealy (Wed, Thurs), Mrs Hill (Thurs, Fri) & Mr Grant (Wed).

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Accommodation:

Student will be staying at the Tahlee Ministries Campsite in both unit and dormitory style accommodation. Students need to bring their own bedding or a sleeping bag. A mattress and pillow (no pillow case) is provided by the campsite. Room allocation will be arranged by the College staff.

Meals:

All meals will be provided by the camp, students will need to indicate any dietary requirements on the attached permission form.

What to bring:

See attached list

While all care will be taken, the College and staff will not be responsible for lost property. Please help your child look after their belongings by clearly labelling each item.

Laptop Computers

Students may bring laptops to make notes during sessions, though please note that there is no internet connection for students at Camp, and students will not be permitted to connect to their own 'hotspots'. If students choose to bring a laptop, it is at their own risk and the campsite and College take no responsibility for loss or damage.

Mobile Phones

Students are permitted to bring their mobile phones as a senior student privilege, though are not permitted to use them during any session or to make calls or texts to ANYONE without the permission of a teacher. There is also very limited mobile service at the campsite. Students are not permitted to contact home without first checking with a teacher, with permission only being granted for exceptional circumstances. Usage is restricted to 'downtime' only with the primary use being a music player. If parents need to contact their child during the camp, they must phone Mr Day on 0415 222 359 (Please do not phone your child's mobile phone).

Itinerary

A detailed itinerary will be given to students 1 week before camp.

CIGARETTES, ALCOHOL AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES ON CAMPS

Please be aware that if a student is found to be in possession of cigarettes, alcohol or any prohibited substance while on a school camp they will be withdrawn and sent home. Parents will be required to collect their child or come to some other appropriate arrangement with the teacher in charge to get them home. Compromising the excursion by such wilful behaviour will not be accepted. Given the clarity of this requirement, parents are urged to instruct their children accordingly.

Please complete the attached forms regarding medical details and acknowledgement that you have read the camp information, please return them to your child's Roll Call teacher by **Friday 8 February 2019**.

Please ensure all student details particularly Emergency Contact Numbers are correct on the Parent Portal before Friday 8 February 2019.

Mr Adam Day
Director of Studies
Year 11/12 Camp Coordinator

Mr Wayne Green
Head of Secondary

Stage 6 Camp Consent Form 2019

I have read and acknowledged the information about the 2019 HSC Preparation Camp to Tahlee. I give permission for my student to attend the Camp from Wednesday 20 until Friday 22 February 2019 and engage in the included activities. I understand that they will travel by coach.

To the best of my knowledge my child has no medical condition, disability or injury which puts them at risk participating in the activities at camp. In the event of illness or injury I authorise the seeking of such medical assistance, on my behalf, that my child may require.

Student Name			Year B / M
Parent/Carer Name		Parent/Carer Signature	
Parent/Carer Contact Number			
My child's swimming ability	<input type="checkbox"/> Strong	<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate	<input type="checkbox"/> Weak
MEDICAL INFORMATION			
Medicare Number			
PARACETAMOL: Would you please indicate whether your child may be given paracetamol to relieve short term pain such as headache, sprain.			
My child may have Paracetamol (please circle)		Yes	No
Medical Information			
Does your child have regular medication? (please circle)		Yes	No
<i>All medications must be given to staff clearly marked with the student's name and dosage requirements. Staff will administer the medication.</i>			
Medication			
Dosage			
Dietary Requirements			

Any other comment or concern:

STAGE 6 HSC PREPARATION CAMP

LIST OF THINGS TO BRING:

- ☐ Appropriate casual clothes and footwear
- ☐ Warm comfortable clothes eg. jumper, track pants, joggers.
- ☐ Pyjamas
- ☐ Towels (bath & beach)
- ☐ Toiletries
- ☐ Swimmers & rash shirt
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Mosquito repellent
- ☐ Pen & Pencil
- ☐ Paper to make notes on
- ☐ Bible or Bible App
- ☐ Pillowcase or pillow
- ☐ Sleeping bag/doona
- ☐ Bottom sheet
- ☐ OPTIONAL – Laptop to make notes on during sessions
- ☐ OPTIONAL – Mobile phone for downtime (music player only)

