



Year 9 REEF/RAINFOREST ECOTOURISM ADVENTURE CAMP 2020

SATURDAY 20 JUNE 2020 to TUESDAY 30 JUNE 2020

Document Checklist

- Refund Policy

ALL THE FORMS BELOW SHOULD BE RETURNED BY 28 JUNE 2019

- Code of Conduct
- Medical Information
- Link to Special Dietary Requirements provided
- Camp Payment Plan



Year 9

REEF/RAINFOREST ECOTOURISM ADVENTURE CAMP 2020 INFORMATION

We are very excited to launch the Reef/ Rainforest Ecotourism adventure that will be offered to all Year 9s in 2020. We have enlisted Small World Journeys (Queensland and Australian Award winning company) to put the itinerary together. The Reef/ Rainforest EcoTourism Adventure will provide opportunities to explore and engage with the unique biodiversity and environmental challenges facing Far North Queensland and will also link in with our Year 9 Marine Biology Specialisms and Marine Care Youth Ambassador programs.

Students will have the opportunity of participating in data collection and research as part of a Coralwatch and Reef Restoration programs, testing water quality on Fitzroy Island and exploring the marine labs and aquarium at James Cook University; all whilst enjoying wonderful adventure/ recreation activities including snorkelling the outer reef, a Daintree Rainforest Indigenous guided walk, Rainforest swimming holes and waterfalls, Jungle Canopy Zipline and the Skyway cableway.

Itinerary in Brief:

- Day 1 – Arrival and Orientation
- Day 2 – Biodiversity Presentation, Environmental Debate and Future of the Reef Presentation
- Day 3 – Fitzroy Island Camping, Great Barrier Reef & Data Collection
- Day 4 – Fitzroy Island, Snorkelling and Turtle Rehabilitation Centre
- Day 5 – Service Project and Jungle Canopy Zip Line
- Day 6 – Rainforest Swimming Hole and Aboriginal-Guided Daintree Rainforest Walk
- Day 7 – James Cook University Visit and Marine Workshop
- Day 8 – Outer Great Barrier Reef Snorkelling and Eye on The Reef Data Collection with Marine Biologist
- Day 9 – Rainforest Waterfalls & Outback Cattle Station
- Day 10 – Outback Cattle Station Activities, Skyrail Rainforest Cableway
- Day 11 – Free Time and Depart

A detailed itinerary is available in our College newsletter and has been published on Compass.

FAQs

What is your safety record?

We have had hundreds of students travel with us, and our safety record is excellent. Ask us for teacher references specifically regarding safety.

Safety is absolutely our number one concern at all times. We carry a first aid kit in our vehicles, as well as on the guide's person when in remote areas. We do everything in our power to make sure each trip is as safe as it can possibly be.

Do you do risk assessments?

Yes. We evaluate and re-evaluate the safety of each of our destinations and activities, and we always reserve the right to modify or cancel an itinerary if the guide feels that conditions are unsafe. We will gladly provide a risk management assessment specific to your trip on request. Small World Journeys' staff also adhere to a comprehensive Risk Management Strategy.

What kind of food will we have?

We understand how important food is to young people – and heaps of it!

A typical breakfast will be a continental breakfast including juices, cereals, toast & jams (and optional vegemite!) and a typical packed lunch will be a meat and salad sandwich, drink, chips, biscuits and a piece of fresh fruit. Café lunches and dinners will vary, but we place a big emphasis on variety and healthful options.

Best of all, we carry our snack box when we travel to ensure that no one is ever hungry. Self-catering options are available for those who would like to prepare group meals. Most student groups request all meals be included in their trip.

Where will we sleep?

We choose accommodation for our educational groups that is safe and clean. Options range from sleeping in tents at well-appointed campgrounds to budget hotels and youth hostels – selected according



What do we need to pack?

A Suggested Packing List will be sent to every group organiser so students will be able to adequately prepare for their trip.

When is the best time to visit Cairns - What is the weather like?

Cairns is a tropical place, and outdoor activities can be enjoyed year-round. In our summer (December-February), the weather is at its warmest and wettest. You can expect hot days with occasional tropical storms, producing lush green hillsides and plenty of waterfalls. Average temperatures are 23-31 degrees Celsius/73-87 Fahrenheit.



In our winter (June-August), the climate is at its most mild, with warm days, cool nights, and little rainfall. Average temperatures are 18-26 degrees Celsius/64-78 degrees Fahrenheit.

What qualifications do your guides have?

Our Cairns guides have a government-issued "Blue Card" that is only given after an extensive background check, and allows them the ability to work with children. Each guide also has a Senior First Aid and CPR certification and government-issued Driver's Authority.

Many of our educational adventures guides have higher degrees in environmental science, marine biology or experiential education, and there is one thing which unites them: a love for teaching young people about the outdoors.

We choose guides with extensive experience having worked with young people. We will take into consideration your educational objectives and assign one of our guides who will be the best match for your group.



What kind of insurance do you have in place?

Small World Journeys has public liability insurance up to \$20,000,000 and is required for us to maintain our commercial permits for the national parks.

Why should we purchase travel insurance?

We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance for your protection. Should a participant need to cancel their trip for any reason, our cancellation policy applies. However, travel insurance protects any loss they may experience should s/he or an immediate family member become ill or sustain an injury that prevents them from going on the trip.

to your budget and itinerary. At some accommodation it is possible to cook group meals yourselves.

Whenever possible, we use locally-owned accommodation options to keep income in the community.

We have a 24-hour mobile number that parents may ring at any time during their child's trip if there is an emergency, and we will also provide the group coordinator with contact details of where the group is staying each night.

What about sharks or jellyfish?

The ocean is home to sharks, but the ones you may encounter at the Great Barrier Reef are small and pose little threat to swimmers. In fact, divers and snorkelers often consider themselves lucky to spot one of these shy, magnificent creatures. Australia's famed Great White sharks prefer cold water, and therefore are not found at the Great Barrier Reef.

Stingers, also known as box jellyfish, breed in estuaries and are rare at The Great Barrier Reef. Therefore, they do not pose a big threat to snorkelers or divers. Stingers are only a consideration on the beaches between November and April, and most of the local beaches have stinger nets so that people may still swim.

How do we travel?

You travel in comfortable well-maintained air-conditioned vehicles with a seat belt for every passenger. We have a 13-seat mini bus for small groups and a Toyota Coaster bus for groups larger than 13 participants. If the group is larger than 24, we hire additional vehicles. Our guides all have a state-issued Driver's Authority (DA) and must have a special bus license to drive our vehicles.



What happens if a student cancels?

If an individual student cancels from a trip within 30 days of the trip departure, no refunds are given. For this reason, we strongly encourage all parents to purchase trip cancellation insurance in order to protect against unforeseen circumstances which are the main cause for student cancellations.

For details on cancellations of the entire group, please see our [Terms & Conditions](#) below.

How does Small World Journeys incorporate our educational objectives?

We work directly with the teacher organiser or group leader to understand the goals of the trip. Then we suggest activities and learning opportunities to match these objectives.

For example, a group may be interested in learning more about marine biology. In this case we will facilitate some fun classroom time dedicated to marine science in Cairns, then a couple of days at the Great Barrier Reef with our marine biologist guide. We can include such things as reef field guides for each student, and mini-lectures after snorkel time. A SCUBA certification course may also be appropriate. Alternatively, we might suggest a few days at an island research station, during which students have classroom and snorkel time, as well as a service project monitoring coral bleaching on the reef.



Whether it is marine science, aboriginal culture, rainforest ecology or another topic, we will work with each group to ensure an educational yet fun experience for all.

What makes us "eco-friendly"?

An eco tour, in our opinion, is a trip in which everyone benefits: the community, the environment, you and us. Simply by joining one of our trips, you will be supporting carbon offsetting, Rainforest Rescue's Adopt-A-Square initiative, aboriginal cultural ventures and locally-owned businesses who are working towards a more sustainable future in tourism. As our guest, you are supporting us as well. Thank you!

Code of Conduct

Parents and Students, please read through the code of conduct, which contains a set of rules for all students to follow throughout their stay.

Students are expected to adhere to these rules for the camp:

Campers will:

- Participate fully in the program including all activities, classes, and workshops
- Follow all instructions from instructors and teachers.
- Follow safety procedures and instructions for use of equipment during activities.
- Be respectful to all.
- Be responsible for his/her own behaviour and encourage peers to make appropriate choices.
- Adhere to the camp schedule including wake-up time and curfew time.

Campers will not:

- Leave the camp premises without staff supervision.
- Use or display profanity, vulgar language, or obscene gestures, words, or graphics.
- Use inappropriate language including derogatory statements.
- Steal or damage facilities or property of staff, students, or the venue.
- Enter any other cabin other than that assigned to them.

If your child's behaviour is considered inappropriate parents will be requested to collect their child from camp. The teacher in charge in consultation with the principal, will make the decision. Costs incurred will be the responsibility of the parent.

Students that have not consistently met the behavioural expectations as set out in our student engagement program may be excluded from camps. The decision to exclude will be made by the principal in consultation with the teacher in charge. Parents will be notified.

Student Code of Conduct:

I have read and agree with the paragraph on expectations of student behaviour

Student Learning Team.....

Signature Date.....

Parent
Name.....Signature.....

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Please complete details according to student's Birth Certificate.

1) CAMP/EXCURSION DETAILS

Name of Camp/Travel Program/Excursion

Year 9 Reef/Rainforest Ecotourism Adventure

Destination

Cairns

Date

20/06/2020 – 30 June 2020

2) STUDENT DETAILS

First Name

Nickname

Surname

Date of Birth

Mobile Telephone Number

Home Telephone Number

Email Address

Address

Suburb

Postcode

Male Female

3) PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS

Main Parent/Guardian

First Name

Surname

Relationship to Student

Mobile Telephone Number

Daytime Telephone Number

Email Address

Address : As above

Second Parent/Guardian Details

First Name

Surname

Relationship to Student

I request a copy of correspondence Yes No

Mobile Telephone Number

Daytime Telephone Number

Email Address

Address

Suburb

Postcode

4) MEDICAL INFORMATION

Medicare No

Private Health Insurance Yes No

Membership No:

Ambulance subscriber Yes No Health Care Card/Pension Card

Travel Insurance (if applicable) Yes No Policy No:

Has the student ever suffered from any of the following?

Asthma	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Recurring Migraines	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depression	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Allergies	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Joint Problems	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Behavioural Issues	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Epilepsy	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Back Trouble	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Disability	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Diabetes	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Psychiatric/Psychological illness	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Other:		
Heart Condition	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Eating Disorder	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>		

If any of the above are ticked, please attach a Medical Management Plan.

Does the student

Have objections to any treatment, eg, blood transfusion? Yes No Details _____

Take medication for a condition not mentioned? Yes No Details _____

Have specific dietary requirements eg vegetarian/kosher? Yes No Details _____

Please write on a separate sheet if necessary, any other matters, ailments, medical conditions or circumstances that are not covered by the above questions which may be relevant in helping ensure the safety of the student. In order to validate the insurance of the student during the travel, we will have to pass the information you provide in this section to the insurer, medical advisors and the Leadership team and travel coordinator. Please sign below to agree to these details being used in this way. We cannot process the application without such authorisation. We will not use the information you provide other than for the reasons set out above and shall not forward the information to any third parties without first obtaining your consent.

5) IMMUNISATION DETAILS:

Has the student been immunised against:

Tetanus	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Whooping Cough	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Hepatitis A	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Typhoid	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Polio	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Hepatitis B	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Diphtheria	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Measles, Mumps, Rubella	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<hr/>	

If necessary, an immunisation record, including dates of injections may be requested.

6) Student Declaration and Parent/Guardian consent

- a) I understand the nature of the program and consent to the student taking part in the camp activities.
- b) I confirm that to the best of my knowledge, this form has been completed accurately and I agree to inform Beaumaris Secondary College immediately of any changes.
- c) I have read, understood and agree to be bound by the travel conditions and specification that all cancellations, alterations and refunds will be in accordance with the booking conditions, travel insurance (if applicable) and/or college policies.
- d) I acknowledge that participation in the program may be subject to medical clearance, if the college has any queries regarding the student's medical condition.
- e) I authorise the teacher in charge of the camp program to sign any consent forms required by medical authorities present before any medical treatment may be given to the student.
- f) I agree to the student receiving medication, emergency dental, medical or surgical treatment whilst on the camp program/activity, including, but not limited to anaesthetic and/or blood transfusion as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.
- g) I agree to the student taking part in the activities detailed in the itinerary and understand that I have the opportunity to withdraw consent in writing.

Signature of student

Date: / /

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date: / /

DIETARY INFORMATION AND WAIVER FORMS

Beumaris Secondary College - 11 Day Adventure Trip:

As well as returning this booklet to reception by June 28th, all medical and dietary information needs to be submitted to Small World Journeys via the following link.

<https://trips.smallworldjourneys.com.au/trips/437978882b>

Steps two and three on the webpage will need to be completed to sign up for the trip.

2. Please follow the LINK below to our Booking Form/Waiver: <http://www.smallworldjourneys.com.au/booking-form/>.
3. Submit the online waiver form (s) by clicking the **Submit Waiver tab** above.

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RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE BY 28 JUNE 2019

Student's Name: _____ Parent's Name: _____

Year 9 REEF/RAINFOREST ECOTOURISM ADVENTURE CAMP 2020	\$3550.00
Total Payable	\$3550.00

Please follow the following steps to complete your family payment options

Step 1: Agree to Deposit paid on 28 June 2019 of \$550.00

Step 2: Agree to pay monthly instalment via credit card of \$300.00 for 10 months

Card Number

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Name on Card:

Expiry Date:

CCV:

SIGNED

Dated

STEP 1

Please use credit card details provided to deposit of \$550.00 via credit card details provide on 28 June 2019

STEP 2

Please use credit card details provided to make 10 monthly payments of \$300.00 to cover the total cost of the adventure camp. I understand that the instalments will commence on 26 July 2019

REFUNDS POLICY

REFUNDING PAYMENT/S FOR COLLEGE ACTIVITIES

Excursions / Incursions (whole day or part day) including sporting activities

A refund for activities will depend on the College recouping payments that have been paid in good faith by the College on behalf of the student. If the activity attracts an entry fee this fee will only be refunded if the College does not need to pay the fee for those who do not attend and have been booked to attend.

Similarly, if a bus is hired, the cost of the bus must be covered before a refund may be given. This applies in all circumstances including illness with a medical certificate.

Any refund request must be made in writing.

Advice regarding refunds will be provided once events have been reconciled and all suppliers paid. Please note that this could take approximately 30 days.

Camps, Overnight activities

The College will only refund the cost of a camp or overnight activity if the College is able to recoup any payment outlaid to the providers of such camp or overnight activity.

Similarly if a bus is hired, the cost of the bus must be covered before a refund may be given. This applies in all circumstances including illness with a medical certificate.

Any refund request must be made in writing.

Non Refundable Deposit

In certain circumstances the College is required to pay a non-refundable deposit for an activity. When this is the situation a non-refundable deposit will be required as an expression of interest for an activity. This will not be refunded if the student does not continue with the activity. The documentation sent to parents will advise that the deposit is non-refundable.

Approval and review

Beaumaris Secondary College Council has approved this policy and will review the policy in line with any future changes to Government policy and Beaumaris College objectives annually.

Reviewed

Ratified by School Council, 12 February 2019