

Phillip Island Adventure Camp Wednesday 3rd November to Friday 5th November

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you may have seen in the newsletter and through Sentral messages, our 5/6 camping program has been rescheduled. It will be held at the Phillip Island Adventure Camp from Wednesday 3rd November to Friday 5th November. The three day, two night camp is a fantastic opportunity for students and we encourage students to take part as it is a personal development opportunity.

This camp has wonderful facilities and activities, which will develop confidence, trust, problem-solving and team-work skills. Please feel free to browse their website for further information www.piar.cyc.org.au.

The students will leave from **Teesdale Primary School** on Wednesday 3rd November at **8:15am** and travel to Phillip Island by seat belted bus. They will return to **Teesdale Primary School** on Friday 5th November at approximately **3:15pm**.

The cost of the camp is \$295 per student, which covers the cost of transport, accommodation, meals and activities, as well as the Penguin Parade. Students will not be required to bring any extra money. They will be required to pack water, snack and lunch for the first day as we are travelling. As it is a 'tenting experience' students are encouraged to bring small-medium soft style bag (i.e not a large suitcase), due to limited space within the tents.

In accordance with Teesdale Primary School's Code of Conduct, students who are not displaying appropriate behaviours at school will not be able to attend camp and other arrangements will be made.

Consent

To provide consent for your child to attend the camp, please login to the **Sentral App** and grant electronic permission. **This is in lieu of signed paper permission.** If your child is **not** attending camp, please notify your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible.

Medical Information

If you would like to update your child's emergency contact details or any medical information, please **request a paper form from your child's classroom teacher** as soon as possible. If required, this form must be completed, signed and returned to your child's classroom teacher by **Friday 29th October.**

Payment

If you requested a refund from earlier in the year, a payment **invoice** for Phillip Island Camp will be emailed to you from Sue Aitken. Please pay via BPay with your unique biller details.

All consent, updated medical information (if required) and payment is due by Friday 29th October.

We are aware that this camping activity is a substantial cost to families, therefore parents are more than welcome to "pay off" the total cost in instalments, so long as the full amount is paid <u>prior to camp</u>. Parents who are in receipt of Camps, Swimming, Excursion Fund (CSEF) money, please contact the school office to make the appropriate arrangements.

Please feel free to discuss any financial arrangements or difficulties with our principal, Mr Sam Irwin.

Dietary Requirements

Phillip Island Camp is excellent at catering for students with anaphylaxis, allergies and food intolerances. You should have received an email directly from Phillip Island Adventure Resort, where you will be required to fill in your child's dietary requirements. This information is confidential and will only be shared directly with the kitchen staff.

Medicine

Sue O'Mealley will be in charge of medications during camp. If your child requires medication on camp, a medical form must be completed prior to camp. The medication form is attached. Please fill out all aspects of the form so that your child can be suitably cared for during their time at camp. If your child has medication to take while on camp, it must be clearly named and labelled with dosage requirements and placed in a named container or plastic bag. This will need to be handed to Sue O'Mealley at **Teesdale Primary School** before departure.

Students with Asthma Plans MUST complete the Camp and Excursion Asthma Plan paperwork and return it on **the morning of the camp** along with medications. These forms are additional to previous Asthma Plans and provide up to date information on your child's current Asthma status. The form will be sent home to students the week leading up to camp.

If you have any further queries about this year's camp, please contact Reshae Armstrong, Year 5/6 Teacher.

Thank you for your support, we are looking forward to camp!

Reshae Armstrong and Jacqui Kelley Year 5/6 Teachers

Teesdale Primary School

CAMP REQUIREMENTS

Please ensure that all clothing and belongings are clearly named.

Sleeping Bag and pillow **OR** sheets, doona and pillow

Please pack everything in one sturdy bag, as space on the bus is <u>very</u> limited. Students may bring a small backpack to carry personal belongings and their lunch. Sleeping bags are to be tied together and placed separately to the sturdy bag.

2 towels
Slippers for inside (carpeted rooms are a "NO SHOES" zone)
Warm coat and rain jacket
3 or more jumpers / windcheater / polar fleece
3 or more pairs of jeans / tracksuits / long pants / shorts
3 or more long sleeved tops / skivvies
T-shirts/short sleeved tops
Old clothes and shoes that you won't mind getting wet and muddy in some activities
Warm pyjamas or tracksuit for sleeping
2 pairs of shoes (ideally boots, sneakers or gumboots) – need to comfortable for walking, one pair will
definitely get wet/muddy.

□ Pair of thongs for shower

Clothing and Personal Requirements

- □ Underwear and socks (one pair for each day) please include extras
- □ Wide brimmed hat or cap
- □ Beanie and gloves for night activities
- □ Personal toiletries packed in a toilet bag toothbrush and paste, soap, face washer, comb, roll on deodorant etc.
- □ 30+ sunscreen
- □ Insect repellent no aerosols
- Plastic bag for dirty/wet/muddy clothes
- □ * Pencil case with pens and pencils
- * Books for reading one or two for quiet times / on bus. May include a puzzle book
- □ * Plastic drink bottle
- □ Torch
- Small back pack used a bus carry on.

Other Optional Items (Children are to be fully responsible for use and care)

* Compact travel game (non electronic)

<u>Remember</u>

- Please do not send <u>best</u> clothes to camp, as many activities will be wet and muddy.
- It can be quite cold at night. We plan to be outside during the evenings, so it is important that children have warm, protective outer wear including a cap/beanie for these times.

Please Note:

It is recommended the following items are NOT brought to camp:

- Mobile phones
- iPods, iPads or MP3 players
- Any digital devices
- Hand-held digital games and other electronic devices
- Chewing gum is strictly banned
- Aerosol cans are strictly banned

^{*} These can be carried on bus in backpack along with morning tea and lunch.

Medication Form

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Luggage Requirements Panorama Coaches

Panorama Coaches are pleased to be transporting your students to and from camp this year.

Please note the below information regarding Luggage and Lost Property, and ensure these tips are passed on to parents.

Luggage

➤ Bags must be soft-sided, 'sausage bag' type

NO SUITCASES OR HARD FRAMED BACKPACKS

- ➤ Maximum weight 12kgs (If you can't lift it, no-one should)
- ➤ Sleeping Bag to be kept separate from luggage bag (Not tied to the bag).
- ➤ All items to be clearly marked with the student's name & school