



## MARIST COLLEGE ASHGROVE

January 27, 2026

Dear Year 7 Parents/Guardians,

### YR 7 CAMP 2026 – MARANATHA RECREATION CENTRE YANDINA – WEDNESDAY FEB 11 – FRIDAY FEB 13

An important part of our formation process for year 7 is our Year 7 Camp. This year, camp will run in **week 3 of term 1 from Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026**. Camp is an important event used to enhance relationships amongst the boys and their Heads of Houses, build College and House spirit, and through appropriate facilitated challenges allow the boys to learn more about themselves, develop teamwork and problem-solving skills to improve their personal capacity and extend their limits as they journey through adolescence. It is important that all students attend camp.

More information can be found here at Maranatha Recreation and Education Camp (<https://www.maranatha-camp.com>) in Yandina. Qualified Outdoor Educators work with our boys in their House groups and during each day, students will participate in a range of activities from mid-ropes and team building activities to hiking and games. Our nighttime program incorporates some guest presenters as well as House Group activities. All activities will also be supervised by Marist College Ashgrove staff, additionally our College Psychologist Genevieve Long will also be in attendance to support the group.

In preparation for camp, year 7 students will be meeting in their ASH lesson for a camp briefing outlining key information and expectations.

#### TRAVEL DETAILS

**Departure time and place:** 11<sup>th</sup> February 8.00am sharp at the McMahon Oval Grandstand

**Return time and place:** 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2.30 pm at the College bus stop.

**What to bring:** Please see below list.

**Cost:** Included in College fee structure

#### SLEEPING ARRANGEMENTS

Maranatha Recreation and Education Camp provide dorm style sleeping arrangements on bunk beds and students will spend both nights in this accommodation.



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### MEALS AND DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Maranatha have advised they can cater for vegetarian, vegan, gluten free, lactose free, dairy free, Food Allergies or High Sensitivities, Anaphylactic Allergies, or any other MEDICAL dietary requirements. They are unable to cater for soy, sesame, preservatives, flavours diets or fussy eaters/ preferences to the menu. Please contact your son's Head of House if you have any concerns.

### MEDICATION

To ensure that we have all the necessary information to provide proper care for your child during the excursion/camp, we kindly request that you complete the Request to Administer Medication form below. This form includes essential details such as medication information, drug restrictions and/or allergies and any other pertinent information that will help us support your child's needs.

In addition to completing the form, we also ask that you send any medications your child requires during their time at camp in a **Pharmacy Webster Pack** or Zip lock bag along with the completed Request to administer medication form. Any last-minute medication (e.g. antibiotics) that are not provided in a webster pack must be in original pharmacy labelled box / bottle with correct contact, storage and administration details on it. Our staff will be responsible for administering these medications as prescribed, and your cooperation in this matter is crucial.

**Please hand the completed form and clearly labelled Webster Pack / Zip lock bag to Pastoral leader middle years Michael Colquhoun on arrival on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 8:00am.**

### PARENT CONSENT

Consent for your son to attend the year 7 camp must be done via Parent Orbit by no later than Tuesday February 3. Please ensure that you update and verify medical details and request any special dietary requirements.

#### Instructions for the Parent Orbit are:

Please log into the Parent Orbit/ Events and Payments

1. Accept the terms and conditions as stated in this letter.
2. Verify medical details and specify any special dietary requirements. To request special dietary requirements, please select **Medical Condition** and choose **Camp Dietary Requirements** from the drop down box.
3. Accept/decline (consent to attend camp).

Should you have any difficulties logging on to the Parent Orbit, please contact our Help Desk at [computerservice@marash.qld.edu.au](mailto:computerservice@marash.qld.edu.au)



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If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact myself or your son's Head of House either by email or phone.

Kind regards,

*Michael Colquhoun*

Mr Michael Colquhoun - Pastoral Leader – Middle Years

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### **What to Bring to Camp** (Write your Name on your Belongings)

#### **Sleeping**

- Pillow and Pillow Slip
- Single Bed Sheet and Sleeping Bag or Blanket

#### **Clothing**

- A set of clothing for each day plus a spare set, sleepwear, underwear, socks
- Collared shirts, larger the better to cover bare skin from harnesses.
- Knee length shorts or long pants
- Jumper and Raincoat- we continue to run activities in the rain!
- Wide brim hat
- Swimmers and Pool Towel
- Shoes - Two pairs of enclosed shoes. (X1 Pair to Swim In for Water Activities – ie. Old Runners / Reef Shoes – please note Crocs are unacceptable for water activities)
- Leave your jewellery at home - chains and dangly earrings are not suitable for ropes activities.

#### **Toiletries**

- Towel and face cloth
- Biodegradable soap; toothbrush and toothpaste, hair brush, roll on deodorant. (Please do not bring aerosol deodorants or hair products as they trigger the smoke alarms)
- Insect Repellent (roll on or cream type)
- Sunscreen
- Thongs for Showers (optional)

#### **Other Important Things**

- Torch (Head Torch Preferable if doing the Night Adventure Activity)
- Named Water Bottle

#### **WHAT NOT TO BRING:**

Please **DO NOT BRING ANY NUTS**, or products containing nuts, to camp. This includes all kinds of nuts, e.g., peanuts, cashews, walnuts, brazil nuts, etc. Maranatha has a strict nut-free-camp policy that must be adhered to. Please do not pack any nuts or nut products, including muesli bars, to eat on the way to camp as they may be forgotten and accidentally brought on to camp premises.

**CHEWING GUM** is prohibited on camp. Teachers please ensure this is relayed to students prior to arrival.