

LILYDALE HIGH SCHOOL

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2016 Year 10 Central Australia Camp

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Group A	Bus 1 & 2	Monday 18 April – Tuesday 26 April
Group B	Bus 3 & 4	Wednesday 20 April – Thursday 28 April

DEPARTURE TIMES

Students are required at Lilydale High School at 10 AM SHARP, for a 10:30 am departure.

ARRIVAL TIMES

Please be available to pick up your child from Lilydale High School at 5:30 pm – 5.45 pm.

Should the arrival time change, students will contact parents from the bus on our drive from Tullamarine using **school mobile phones**.

Mobile Phones & iPods Players

- **No mobile phones will be allowed on the camp. We ask that parents assist us with this.**
- iPods/mp3 players will be allowed on camp; however, it is your responsibility to look after it.
- If you need to contact your child/parents whilst on camp, we will have a school mobile phone for you to use. Parents can contact students on the following mobile numbers;
 - **Bus 1 0477 446 269**
 - **Bus 2 0477 446 271**
 - **Bus 3 0477 446 273**
 - **Bus 4 0499 038 796**
- Mobile phone reception is poor/non-existent in many of the areas we will be travelling so it is suggested that parents send a text message and then your child will be able to call when reception improves.
- In the event of an emergency and you are unable to contact us directly, please call the school on 9735 5644 who may be able to reach us via satellite phone.

Identification Tags

- You will be supplied with identification tag/lanyard that you will be expected to wear around your neck so that it is fully visible when we are out in public.
- Every time you step off the bus you will be required to wear it.

Red Dirt & White Clothing

- Central Australia is known as the 'Red Centre' because of the red dirt.
- Red dirt and white clothing are not a good mix so you **may not want to bring white t-shirts**, etc.

Walks and Walking

- You will find yourself on walks at Coober Pedy (easy), around the base of Uluru (2 hours), the Kata Tjuta (2 – 3 hours), Kings Canyon (2 – 3 hours), etc.
- Wear comfortable shoes
- **Have a 2lt Hydration Pack-Camelbak/Denali-(Anaconda brand)**. We suggest students borrow one from last year's campers.
- You must use sunscreen
- Wear a hat, and be ready to walk

Clothes Pegs

- Useful to hang up wet clothes

Shopping

- Opals at Coober Pedy
- General souvenirs everywhere
- Aboriginal art at Alice Springs

Inappropriate Language/Pictures on Tops & T-Shirts

- Do not bring such clothing on the trip
- Inappropriate means references to alcohol, drugs, sexual matters, inappropriate language, etc

Possible Extra Costs

- Contribution for purchase of gifts for drivers/cook
- Aboriginal paintings from artists
- Camp T-Shirt
- Helicopter Ride (approximately \$150)

ATMs – Last

- Coober Pedy – Westpac
- Uluru – ANZ
- Alice Springs – Various Banks

Parents/Guardians and students are reminded that all Lilydale High School rules will apply on camp and that any indiscretions may result in your son/daughter being sent home from camp at your expense.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the school on 9735 5644.

Yours sincerely



Jonathan Reedyk
Head of Middle School and Head of Year 10