

## Address: 1273 Glenmore Rd, Glenmore VIC 3340 Phone: (03) 53692224

Website: camps.ymca.org.au/lady-northcote-recreation-camp

## Ormond staff attending camp:

- Kerri McLeod ( Principal)
- Delia Robey (4A Classroom Teacher)
- Sandra Johnson (4B Classroom Teacher)
- Michael Pannam (P.E. Teacher)
- Sue Rimmer (Educational Support)


Dear Year 4 community,

The time has finally come for Year 4 camp!!
Included for your reference:

- Detailed itinerary
- Itemised checklist of what to bring
- Site map

Please also check the following forms:

- DET medical/dietary information form (mandatory - return to school by September 14th)
- Allergy Information/Dietary Requirements form (optional - return to school by September 14th)
- Medical authority form (optional - bring to school with required medicine on the morning of the camp by 8:30am)

If you are generally curious about the camp location we encourage you to visit their detailed website at:
camps.ymca.org.au/lady-northcote-recreation-camp
Furthermore, we plan on conducting a brief information session on Wednesday, September 14th at 3pm in the 4A classroom. Please feel free to email any questions Delia.Robey@education.vic.gov.au prior to this session.

We hope you are as excited for the upcoming Year 4 Camp as we are!

The Year 4 Camp Team

## OPS Year 4 Camp 2022 Itinerary:

Students arrive at OPS: 8:30am with their lunch packed and a drink bottle. Bus departs: 9:00am sharp

| Wednesday 12th | Thursday 13th | Friday 14th |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10:30am: Arrive | 8:00am Breakfast | 8:00am Breakfast |
| Welcomed, tour, orientation, settle into | 9:00am Rotation 3 | 10:00am Whole Group Activity |
| 1:30pm: Rotation 1 | 11:00am Rotation 4 | 12:30pm Lunch <br> 1:30pm Departure |
| 3:00pm Afternoon Tea | 12:30pm Lunch |  |
| 3:30pm Rotation 2 | 1:30pm: Rotation 5 |  |
| 5:00pm Free Time | 3:00pm Afternoon Tea | Bus arrives back at OPS by 3:30pm |
| 6:00pm Dinner | 3:30pm Rotation 6 |  |
| 7:30pm Evening Activity - | 5:00pm Free Time | A Compass notification on the day will keep you |
| Night Walk | 6:00pm Dinner <br> 7:30pm Evening Activity - <br> Movie | up to date with an accurate ETA. |

## Rotation Activities:

Giant Swing
Archery
Canoeing
Yabbying
Initiatives
Low Ropes course

## Lady Northcote Recreation Camp

Lady Northcote Recreation Camp is located in the picturesque Rowsley Valley, just outside of Bacchus Marsh, a short 50 minute drive from Melbourne CBD. The camp overlooks rural farm land and is placed on a spacious 84 acres.

## Lady Northcote's History

Lady Northcote Recreation Camp, formerly the Northcote Children's Farm, opened in 1937. A farm school based on the model conceived by Kingsley Fairbridge, it housed and educated underprivileged British children, who were sent out with the initial aim of training boys for farm work and girls for domestic service.

At its peak, child migration from Britain to Australia had the support of both the British and Australian governments, charitable organisations and churches.

Between 1937 and 1958, 273 British migrant children arrived at the Lady Northcote Farm School.

The children, who were orphaned, underprivileged or from broken homes were taught/ trained in the areas of farm work for the boys and the girls, would learn domestic services.

Lady Northcote, whose husband was the Governor-General between 1904 and 1908, was herself an orphan. A visit to the first Farm School in Pinjarra, Western Australia, left a strong impression on her, and after her death in 1934, a substantial portion of her estate was set aside to establish the 'Northcote Children's migration Fund for Australia'.

In 1936, Sir William Angliss donated 2850 acres of the Glenmore Estate to the Northcote Trust. The architectural firm of Meldrum \& Noad designed the village part of the Northcote Children's Farm, with accommodation arranged in an arc on the hill overlooking the communal dining hall block, a layout also adopted by the Fairbridge farm at Molong, New South Wales.

Twelve identical cottages were constructed, along with a hospital, dining hall, store, tuckshop, principal's residence, staff quarters and a bluestone trickling filter sewerage system.

The Lady Northcote Farm School was associated with the Fairbridge Farm School model, conceived by Kingsley Fairbridge (1885-1924). From the 1960s, 350 Australian State Wards and 260 children of recently arrived English migrants also lived at the farm school.

The Fairbridge scheme folded in 1973. In 1976, the Lady Northcote Farm closed, the farm was sold and the village section was donated to the Social Welfare Department. It was renamed the Northcote Children's Home.

The property was transferred in 1978 to the Department of Sport and Recreation to be used as the Lady Northcote Recreation Camp. The YMCA currently leases the property from Sports and Recreation, continuing the usage of the site for youth programs. Former residents of the Children's Farm have formed the Old Northcotians' Association and continue to maintain a link with the place, having been given use of House 12.

The Lady Northcote Recreation Camp is historically significant for its association with the Child Migration movement of the first half of the twentieth century. It is historically significant as the only Farm School established in Victoria based on the Fairbridge Farm School model and as the only institution in the State to have been constructed specifically to cater for child migrants.

The Lady Northcote Recreation Camp is architecturally significant as a cohesive collection of buildings designed as a Farm School. The original village layout, the remaining buildings five original cottages, the dining room complex, original cook's cottage, games room, principal's residence, staff quarters, the hospital and the sewerage system as well as the relationship between the buildings, demonstrate ideals of the Farm School and Child Migration Movement of the mid-twentieth century.

The Lady Northcote Recreation Camp is socially significant for its continued association with child and youth programs.

## WHAT SHOULD I BRING TO CAMP?

Below is a list of things that you should bring to camp. Please put your name on everything and make sure that you are prepared for both heat and cold, wet and dry. Camp activities continue in the sunshine and the rain.

BEDDING: Lady Northcote Provides the mattress only.
§ Sleeping bag
§ Pillow
§ Fitted Sheet

## CLOTHING:

§ Waterproof raincoat are essential (nylon jackets, sweatshirts and fleeces are not waterproof)
§ T-shirts
§ Warm jumpers
§ long pants e.g. Tracksuit pants or cargo pants
§ Socks
§ Underwear
§ Pyjamas
§ Sun hat
§ Beanie
§ Comfortable footwear (Must be a closed toe shoe, like a runner)
§ Shoes for water activity (Must have a heel strap to stop them falling off in the water)

ACCESSORIES:
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { § } & \text { Bath and beach towel } \\ \text { § Personal toiletries (tooth brush, soap, etc) } \\ \text { § Sunscreen } \\ \text { § } \text { Torch } \\ \text { § Water bottle (1 litre) with your name on it } \\ \text { § Small backpack } \\ \text { § Camera that is not a mobile phone (optional) }\end{array}$

## LADY NORTHCOTE RECREATION CAMP <br> SITE MAP


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# YEAR 4 Lady Northcote Camp 2022 <br> ALLERGY INFORMATION/DIETARY REQUIREMENTS FORM 

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Please record any food allergies/ dietary requirements that your child has or food that your child is not permitted to eat, and return to your child's teacher by Wednesday, September 14 th.

Please note that 'not permitted foods' refers to vegetarianism or foods that cannot be eaten for religious or medical reasons. It is not based on likes or dislikes.

Child's Name: $\qquad$

Child's Grade: $\qquad$

Allergy/ Dietary Requirements:

