17th February, 2017

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

**Year 9 Camp 2017**

Year 9 students will attend a 3 day camp at the Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Centre from Monday 27th March to Wednesday 29th March, 2017. Students will participate in a variety of activities that will challenge them, develop their problem solving and team skills and reinforce the college values of justice, hope, compassion and respect. The camp provides an important opportunity for the year group to enjoy each other’s company and strengthen the bonds of friendship and reinforce our motto for the year “Make a Difference”.

**Documents/Items that require your attention**

1. **Permission slip** to attend the camp (at the bottom of this letter)

2. **Medical Information**
   Sport & Recreation need you to complete the on-line Medical form - [dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform](http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform). Once submitted it is sent directly to the centre so that staff can prepare for your daughter’s visit. **It is vital that you enter the following details:-**

   - Booking Number: 497158
   - Booking Date: 27/3/17 – 29/3/17
   - Booking Venue: Broken Bay Sport & Recreation Centre

   Also, please complete the **Medical and Consent Form** at [sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/facilities/schools/medicalandconsentform](http://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/facilities/schools/medicalandconsentform) by 10/3/17

3. **Packing list** – please note that students are not permitted to wear short shorts, singlet style tops or tops with spaghetti straps during any activity. See the Sport & Rec website for a packing list and other relevant information.

4. **Camp rules information**. Camp rules are prepared by NSW Sport & Recreation. Please note that students are expected to comply with the rules of the camp and the standards of behaviour of the college. Parents/carers will be contacted immediately if students breach rules, act in a way that puts them or others at risk of harm, are caught with prohibited items or are clearly rude to staff. Arrangements will be made for you to collect your daughter from camp if we believe it is necessary.

**Camp address and contact details**

Broken Bay Sport & Recreation Centre
C/- Post Office
Brooklyn NSW 2083
Email: [broken.bay@sport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:broken.bay@sport.nsw.gov.au)
Fax: (2) 4379 1201
Ph: (02) 4349 0600

**Dave Matthews contact**

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Travel arrangements and departure/return times
Students will travel to and from the camp venue by bus. Buses will depart Elizabeth Ross Park on Webb St at 7.20am on Monday 27th March. Students are required to be at the park by 6.50am for roll marking. We will arrive back at Elizabeth Ross Park at 2.45 pm on Wednesday 29th March. We ask parents to collect their daughters by 3.00pm at the latest or organise for them to catch their usual school bus home should it be necessary.

Cost
The total cost of the camp includes transport, activities, accommodation and meals. This cost will appear on your Term 1 school fees account.

Mobile phone, iPod, computer, valuables
Students are advised that mobile coverage is weak and to leave mobile phones at home. Students bring electronic and computer equipment and devices to the camp at their own risk. Staff will not take responsibility for any valuables lost whilst on camp. So remember, NO MOBILE PHONES.

Medication
Please place any medication your daughter is required to take in a plastic bag clearly labelled with her name and the instructions for administration. Medication packs must be handed to Mr Matthews before students board the bus on Monday morning.

Camp activities
Students work in groups to complete activities during the 3 day camp. Possible activities may include:-
- Abseiling
- Canoeing
- Archery
- Flying Fox
- High ropes
- Team challenges and low ropes
- Orienteering
- Pirate’s climb

(Activities for the 3 days are subject to change, and may vary from the list above).

This will be a great opportunity for students in Year 9 to build new friendships, develop their self-confidence, learn more about themselves and most importantly, have a lot of fun.

Please complete and return all forms to your Homeroom teacher by Friday 17th February and please complete the online Medical and Consent Forms by 10/03/17. The Year 9 Pastoral team are looking forward to a wonderful camp.

Yours sincerely

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Mr D Matthews               Cathy Toby
Year 9 Leader               Leader of Student Wellbeing

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Please return the following slip to your Pastoral Teacher

I give ________________________________ of Homeroom class __________________ my consent to attend the Year 9 camp at the Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Centre from Monday 27th March to Wednesday 29th March. I am aware that the students will be travelling by bus. I have completed and returned all required consent forms.

Parent/Guardian signature: ___________________________ Date: __________________