10th February, 2016

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

**Year 8 Camp 2016**

Year 8 students will attend a 3 day camp at the Point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre at Gwandalan from Tuesday 29th March to Thursday 31st March, 2016. 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 “Good Choices make a Difference”.

**Documents/items that require your attention**

1. **Permission slip** to attend the camp (at the bottom of this letter)
2. **Activity Consent** – This must be completed, signed and returned to your daughter’s Pastoral teacher by Friday 18th February.
3. **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:   | 463858  
   | Booking Date:     | 29/03/2016 – 31/03/2016  
   | Booking Venue:    | Point Wolstoncroft 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 8/03/16.

4. **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.

5. **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 dealt 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**

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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 8.30am on Tuesday 29th March. Students are required to be at the park by 8.15am for roll marking. We will arrive back at Elizabeth Ross Park at 2.45 pm on Thursday 31st 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.

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 the following activities during the 3 day camp:
- Abseiling
- Canoeing
- Archery
- Flying Fox
- High ropes
- Team challenges and low ropes
- Orienteering
- Pirate’s climb

This will be a great opportunity for students in Year 8 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 Pastoral teacher by Friday 18th February and please complete the online Medical and Consent Forms by 08/03/16. The Year 8 Pastoral team are looking forward to a wonderful camp.

Yours sincerely

Mr D Matthews
Year 8 Leader

Cathy Toby
Leader of Student Wellbeing

Please return the following slip to your Pastoral Teacher

I give __________________________ of Pastoral class __________ my consent to attend the Year 8 camp at the point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre at Gwandanaland from Tuesday 29th March to Thursday 31st 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: __________________________