

4 March 2020

Dear Parents / Caregivers / Whanau

## Year 5-6 SCHOOL CAMP 2020

This year, an Outdoor Education Camp is being held for students in **Year 5-6**. We see this as an integral part of the school programme, which creates different kinds of learning experiences that cannot be found in the classroom, including relationship and team building, challenges, pressing into God in an unique environment and being challenged with activities they may never have done before. As this camp is part of the curriculum, attendance is expected for all Year 5-6 students.

The details are as follow:

**Venue:** Willow Park Camp, Eastern Beach

Dates: Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 – Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2020

**Transport:** Parents drop off at camp site and pick up from camp site

\*Cost to International Students: \$160 – refer below

\*Tax Qualifying Donation / Domestic Students: \$160 requested - refer below

\*International Students: The camp has been costed at \$160 per student. All International Students in Year 5 and 6 will be invoiced via KAMAR, and this cost will be deducted from the prepaid activity fee.

\*Domestic Students: The school relies on camp donations from parents of all domestic students to enable us to deliver Outdoor Education experiences. A camp donation request will be recorded in KAMAR to enable you to pay this via the parent portal. Your voluntary donation will qualify for a tax credit and will form part of the donations receipts issued at the end of the income tax year.

We will require several parent helpers to assist school staff members attending camp. If you would be interested in assisting, please indicate this in the Google Form and how much of camp you can come for, e.g. all, 1 day, part of a day, etc. Preference will be given to parents who can stay for the whole camp including overnight. Parents are a vital part of the success of camp, and there is no cost to parents involved.

**Important Note:** Elim Christian College operates on Ministry of Education best practice requiring that you have obtained police clearance for Elim Christian College (had been lodged with our office) overnight stay within the last 3 years. Please indicate this in your responses on the Google Form. Police vetting forms are readily available from the school office and our Admin team will be happy to assist you. They take several weeks to process so if you are keen to attend camp, please initiate this process as soon as possible. Please complete the online camp form by visiting:

https://forms.gle/SdzDwWf4m6mHuaCX7

Thank you for your commitment to our programme; we are looking forward to our three fabulous days away.

Yours sincerely
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