

3 February 2020

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Year 6-8 SCHOOL CAMP 2020

Each year an Outdoor Education Camp is held for students in **Year 6-8**. 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, living away from home for a period of time, pressing in to God in a 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 6-8 students.

The details are as follows:

Venue: Kokako Lodge, Hunua Falls, 235 Falls Road, Hunua RD 3, Papakura.

Dates: Tuesday 25th February- Friday 28th February 2020

Transport: Bus

Cost to International Students: \$275 - refer below

Tax Qualifying Donation / Domestic Students: \$275 requested – refer below

At camp students will be challenged in adventure and educational activities including kayaking, wall climbing, orienteering, swimming, high ropes, confidence course, bush-craft, raft building, hiking, glow-worms and evening activities. In conjunction with a great outdoor programme we also will provide Biblical teaching and a worship time each morning and evening run by guest speakers from Elim Church at Botany. There is a Camp Concert on Thursday evening, the 27th, from 6:30pm (starting at 7:15pm sharp) and you are welcome to bring your family to enjoy this evening with us together, we will provide supper before you head off home.

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 eg all, 1 day, part of a day etc. 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 we obtain a Police Clearance for all Parents / Caregivers volunteers attending camp. If you have already completed a Police Clearance form for Elim Christian College within the last 3 years and lodged it with the school office, please indicate this in your email of interest. Forms are readily available from the school office and the Admin team will be happy to assist you. They take several weeks to process so if you are coming please have this process underway by Wednesday, 5th February. We apologise for the tight timeframe.

A camp gear list and programme are attached to this letter.

Permission / Parent/Caregiver Involvement and Medical Form are to be filled out on the google form by following the link and completed by **Wednesday**, 12th February https://goo.gl/forms/wfoHn3A68qsle0MB3

This camp has been costed at \$275/student. All international students in years 6-8 will be invoiced via Kamar and this cost will be deducted from the prepaid activity fee. 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 receipt issued at the end of the income tax year.

Thank you for your commitment to our programme, we are looking forward to a fabulous week away.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Ruth Scott Team Leader Y7-8

KOKAKO LODGE TIMETABLE 2020

FEBRUARY	Tuesday 25/2	Wednesday 26/2	Thursday 27/2	Friday 28/2
Block 1 7.00 – 8.00		Get up Cabin Devotions Wash Duties Cabin Inspection	Get up Cabin Devotions Wash Duties Cabin Inspection	Get up Cabin Devotions Wash Duties
Breakfast & Duties		8.00 - 9.00am		
Block 2 9.30 – 10.30	Travel to Camp	Power up Time	Power up Time	Power up Time
Morning Tea	Bring own MT			
Block 3 11.00 – 12.00	Parents' Meeting with Camp Staff Orientation Unpacking	Concert Preparation Lunch Prep	Concert Preparation Lunch Prep	Pack up & Clean Up Gear outside by Carpark Clean rooms Lunch Prep
Lunch	Bring own Lunch	12:00 -12:30		
Block 4 12.30 – 3.00	Bush Hike	Rotation 1 & 2	Rotation 5 & 6	Final Clean Up 1.00pm Pack Gear in bus 1:30pm Travel back to school
3:00-3:30	Afternoon Tea			Arrive School 3.00
Block 5 3.30 – 6:00	Bush Hike	Rotation 3 & 4	Rotation 7 & 8	
6.00 - 7.15	Dinner & Duties			
Block 6 7.15 - 9.30	Highlights writing Power Up Time Supper	Highlights writing Power Up Time Supper	Highlights writing	
	Burma Trail	Glow worm walk	7:15pm Camp Concert (Parents Invited)	
9.30	Bed	Bed	Bed	





GEAR LIST

□ Pillow□ Bed Sheet(optional)	□ Running shoes□ Old shoes/Jandals	□ Insect Repellant□ Plastic drink bottle	
 □ Sleeping Bag □ Pj's □ Tee Shirts □ Warm trousers/track 	 □ 2xSweat shirt/ Jersey □ Towels (2) □ Tissues □ Face Cloth 	 □ 2 Plastic Bags □ Books □ Pens / Pencils etc □ Sun screen 	
pants ☐ Shorts ☐ Underwear ☐ Socks ☐ Swimming Togs ☐ Sunhat ☐ Waterproof Raincoat/jacket	 □ Toothbrush & paste □ Comb or Brush □ Soap / Shampoo □ Small back pack □ Torch □ Bible □ Morning tea/lunch for the first day 	□ Camp concert needs □ Packet of biscuits	
Optional			
□ Camera □ Small indoor games	□ Medication□ 1x\$2.00 bag of lollies	□Water shoes	
PROHIBITED			
□ iPads□ Jewellery, makeup□ Money/cards	□ Cell Phones □ Pocket knives □ Chewing gum	□ Electronic games□ Matches, Lighters□ Bad attitudes	