



COOMERA
ANGLICAN
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22 July 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian and Year 8 student

The Year 8 Camp at Camp Kokoda Outdoor Education and Recreation Camp at Maroon Dam will be held from **Tuesday 3 September to Friday 6 September 2019**. The bus will leave from the Secondary Campus of the College at **8.30am** on Tuesday and return to the College at 3.00pm on Thursday.

Camp Kokoda is a community based non-profit organisation, established in 1979 to provide high quality outdoor education and recreation programmes. They provide adventure-based experiences that encourage participants to strengthen character and increase self-esteem through responsible decision-making, learning independence, group cooperation and confronting challenges. The normal College rules will apply with regard to conduct and behaviour while on camp. Students will not be permitted to enter the sleeping area of the opposite gender. Common areas will be provided for social interaction and College staff will supervise students. Any student who breaches any of these expectations will be sent home from camp at his/her parents' expense.

Camp Kokoda requires each parent to complete and sign the attached medical/consent forms on behalf of your child. These should be returned to the College as soon as possible. If you indicate that your child has a specific medical condition you will need to complete a separate form which will be forwarded to you at a later date. **The attached medical forms must be completed, signed and returned to your child's Pastoral Care Teacher no later than Friday 26 July 2019**

Accompanying this letter is the list of equipment required for the camp. Please make yourself aware of items which are essential and also those items that are not to be brought by students to the camp. Students will be issued with backpacks to carry their belongings once at the campsite and as such, students **must not** bring any additional items. In particular, such things as **lollies, mobile phones, and iPods are strictly prohibited**. Camp Kokoda staff attending the camp will have a satellite phone which can be used in case of emergency – students **must not** bring their own mobile phones.

The Camp Kokoda website can be found at <http://kokodachallenge.com/camp-kokoda> for your information. If you have any further enquiries regarding the camp please feel free to contact me at the College (klyon@cac.qld.edu.au).

Yours sincerely

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