



HENRY KENDALL HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 7 ORIENTATION CAMP INFORMATION PACKAGE

Dear Students & Parents/Caregivers

The first year of high school is a period of great change in the lives of students. For many, their experience in the transition from primary to secondary school will influence their future academic success.

The Henry Kendall High School Year 7 orientation camp is designed to address a number of key areas at this important time by providing the following opportunities:

- Peer bonding among students from a diverse primary school feeder network;
- Enhance student and teacher relationships;
- Completion of mandatory outcomes in Human Relationships (Middle School) and PDHPE (Young Achievers);
- Enhance confidence and self-esteem;
- Experience a range of adventure activities in a safe yet challenging environment;
- Foster teamwork, communication and collaboration.

The camp facilitator is The Great Aussie Bush Camp, 38 MacKillop Road, Kincumber South. The total cost of the camp is \$250.00. This covers all meals, cabin style accommodation and transport.

We will depart from school at 9:00am on **Monday 30 March 2015** and return to school by 2:00pm on **Wednesday 1 April 2015**.

In this package you will find the following:

1. A letter of introduction from The Great Aussie Bush Camp.
2. Student information letter and gear checklist.
3. Camp Guidelines and Rules.
4. A Medical/Activity Restriction/Consent form.
This form is strictly confidential and needs to be returned to your roll call teacher by Friday 27 February 2015. **Both** sides must be completed. The second page must be **initialled** by the parent/caregiver in each section.
The Henry Kendall staff will administer all medications at camp.

All payments are to be made to the Front Office. The following methods are available:

1. \$250.00 by Wednesday 18 March 2015

OR

2. Three progressive payments:
 - \$100.00 by Friday 27 February
 - \$100.00 by Wednesday 18 March
 - \$50.00 by Friday 27 March

Please contact Mr Macdonald if you wish to discuss any financial assistance for cap fees this year. Please note that camp fees must be paid in full in order for your child to attend.

Valuables such as MP3s, iPods and electronic games etc are to be left at home and are not to be brought to camp. If students choose to bring their phones, they do so at their own risk.

We are looking forward to an exciting and rewarding camp. Any concerns or queries should be directed to the Mr Mark Macdonald.

Yours faithfully

Mr Andrew Backhouse
PRINCIPAL

Mr Mark Macdonald
HEAD TEACHER
HSIE, LANGUAGES and
MIDDLE SCHOOL

2 February 2015