

Greenpark School Year 5/6 Camps 2017

2.12.16

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The purpose of this letter is to give you advance notice that on **Sunday 19th Feb 3.45pm to Tuesday 21st Feb 5.15pm**, Year 5's will be going to camp and on the **afternoon of 21st Feb 2.00pm to 24th Feb 2.30pm**, Year 6's will also be going to camp at Finlay Park, Karapiro (near Cambridge). Year 4's will participate in Year 4 overnight Camp at Greenpark School.

All children are expected to attend Camp as part of the school curriculum and ongoing class work. All Year 5 children will attend the Ruapehu syndicate camp and All Year 6 the Aoraki syndicate camp.

The subsidised cost of the camp will be \$85 for Year 5's And \$140 for Year 6's. This is a substantial reduction - the price of the camp without fundraising is \$110 (Ruapehu syndicate) and \$182 (Aoraki syndicate) so the chocolate promotion has been well worthwhile. Also a huge THANK YOU to your PTA for contributed \$3000 to assist with transport costs. Those not involved in chocolate sales will be expected to cover the full costs as highlighted during the subsidising chocolate sales. If you are new to Greenpark, hence weren't around during fundraising in 2016, you automatically qualify for the subsidy. If you are unsure please check with Mr. Brock (Ruapehu-Year 5) or Mr. Young (Aoraki-Year 6).

Objectives to be covered in our camp unit and activities that will be experienced on camp include outdoor education and recreation, working cooperatively, experiencing leadership, problem solving and personal responsibility. Building curiosity, open-mindedness, perseverance and empathy will also play a big role while at Camp.

As usual all funds must be given directly to the school office. Your child or you will be issued with a receipt which we ask you to keep as proof of payment. Please pay in the first 2 weeks of Term 1, 2017, or make arrangements at the school office.

***Situations Vacant – We require considerable parent support.** Excluding staff, we will need parents prepared to assist with the activities and running of the camp. The main areas of need are a qualified doctor or nurse, **experienced kayakers for Year 6 camp** and those with general boating experience, people to assist our cook in the kitchen. All parents are required to be cabin supervisors. If you are able to assist, please complete the slip below along with the Police vetting form and return to the class teacher as soon as possible. Please note there is no charge or cost at all for parent helpers who stay over at camp. Day visitors will be asked to make a donation towards any meals.*

If you have access to a kayak or a small aluminum dingy with a motor, that we could use on camp, please complete the slip below and return to the syndicate leader as outlined. Or if you have a ski boat available from the 21st Feb – 24th Feb please let us know below. (We will cover gas costs)

Yes! I am able to assist with camp. Please tick this box if you are able to help. You will be contacted by your 2017 syndicate leader to confirm availability, early in 2017 (Mr Young Aoraki Camp, Mr Brock Ruapehu Camp)

I am particularly interested and have experience in :

Kayaking YES / NO Kitchen Duties YES / NO Any activity YES / NO

Parents Name : Phone :

Child's Name :

I have a small dinghy (with/without motor) that you can borrow. Circle YES (ONLY for Year 6 Camp)

I can provide _____ kayaks for use at Camp. Circle: I can transport the kayak/s. I need the kayak/s transported.

I would like to take my car YES/NO and can transport _____ other adults.

I have a ski boat available. Circle YES

Please return this form to school before the 16th of Dec or contact the syndicate leaders directly to confirm availability. **Teachers; this parent helper form must be handed to Rm 1 Mr Young - Year 6 or Mr Brock if Year 5 ASAP.**