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## Stage 3 End of Year Camp

Monday, 2 May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are currently organising our Stage 3 End of Year Camp. This year, we are planning to go to The Great Aussie Bush Camp for three days: **Term 4, Week 7, Wednesday 23rd – Friday 25th November 2022**. We will be travelling by coach and/or minibus.

The Great Aussie Bush Camp is located near the coastal towns of Tea Gardens and Hawks Nest, and situated within a historically unique and truly authentic Australian environment. Close to the pristine beaches of Port Stephens and the magnificent Myall Lakes, it's the perfect outdoor education and recreation learning environment. Facilities include:

- Cabin accommodation
- Dining hall
- Quality catering facilities
- Indoor sports hall
- Private access to Lake Ivan
- Activity areas

Students will undertake a variety of team-building and outdoor activities. These will vary and **may** include:

- Survivor/Lost Island
- Flying Fox
- Snorkelling
- Canoeing
- High Ropes
- Beach Picnic
- Pioneering
- Archery

Further information can be found at: <http://www.bushcamp.com.au/>

End of Year Camp is a valuable experience that provides students with opportunities to establish new friends, participate in team-building exercises and challenge themselves in a safe and supportive environment.

**The cost of the excursion (including transport) will be \$350 per student.** To make the cost easier to manage, we have organised for this to be paid using instalments. Please see the payment schedule set out below:

Instalment	Amount	Due Date (Thursdays)	
Deposit	\$50	Term 2, Wk 5	26 May
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$50	Term 2, Wk 8	16 June
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$50	Term 2, Wk 10	30 June
4 <sup>th</sup>	\$50	Term 3, Wk 2	28 July
5 <sup>th</sup>	\$50	Term 3, Wk 5	18 August
6 <sup>th</sup>	\$50	Term 3, Wk 8	8 September
Final	\$50	Term 3, Wk 10	22 September

*Please note: We have spread out the payment instalments to help accommodate family budgets.*

*This gives families half a year to make 7 x \$50 payments! Unfortunately, due to planning requirements, payment extensions are **STRICTLY NOT AVAILABLE**. Places are also strictly limited to the first 100 students.*

**Full payment MUST be made by the end of Term 3.**

**COVID Plan:** If the Camp is cancelled due to COVID restrictions, a full refund will be available for all payments made. Alternatively, payments may be held as credit in the form of Fees In Advance (FIA) and be used for future school-related payments (where payments are normally made directly to the school and not to external or third party entities). However, FIA is NOT recommended for Year 6 students who do not have a younger sibling enrolled at TAPS.

Please keep in mind that the **payment schedule is a suggestion** for those who would prefer to use instalments. **You can however, make additional payments at your own discretion. Alternatively, you can pay the amount in full.**

Please complete the attached permission note and return to the Office with your payment method, in an envelope marked: **'Stage 3 End of Year Camp and your child's name'**.

If you have any enquiries, or would like to discuss payment arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher for more information.

Kind Regards,  
Mr Marsh (Camp Organiser) and Stage 3 Teachers