



YEAR 9 ASPIRE PROGRAMME – Term 4 Camp Information and End of Year Events

Dear Year 9 Parents and Guardians,

This letter is to provide you with some key information, dates and forms about the upcoming events occurring throughout Term 4.

For ease, we have set a due date of Friday, October 27 for all forms to be returned.

Mornington Adventure Camp

Date: Monday 20th – Wednesday 22nd November

After consulting the Year 9 cohort, it was decided that we would end the year and Camp Mornington. Calvin and Jaclyn are well known to many students and their families and they are very excited to end the Year 9 ASPIRE Program at a place that has already brought so many of them happy memories.

Students will be engaged in activities that will continue to develop their teamwork and problem-solving skills as well as some physical and mental challenges that will put them outside of their comfort zone. Students will also engage in some service activities to help give back to the campgrounds.

Students' trustworthiness, maturity and ability to follow instructions has been discussed with students. Therefore, students who reach a behaviour card at any point in Term 4 through the accumulation of detentions, may not be able to attend. If you have any comments, questions or suggestions, please contact either Adam.Dirosso@cac.wa.edu.au or Larissa.Fontana@cac.wa.edu.au

Aims of Camp:

Social/Emotional & Academic – opportunity to build upon cohorts' teamwork and comradery, resilience, problem solving and maturity. It will also help to build positive memories and stronger relationships with each other.

Transport Information:

Students will arrive to school as per usual on Monday 20th November, before being transported in the school bus or staff vehicle to Camp Mornington. Students will arrive back to school on Wednesday 22nd November in time for pick up or bus service at 3:23pm.

Venue: Mornington Adventure Camp, 119 Martin Road, Wokalup WA 6221

Staff Members attending:

Adam Di Rosso
Larissa Fontana
Shannon Smoker

Costs: All costs are included in the Year 9 fees.

Checklist of what each student will be supplied by the school for the camp:

- Tent (to share)
- Foam sleeping mat (if required)

Checklist of what to bring on camp:

- Year 9 Aspire T-shirt (wear with PE shorts on Monday)
- Clothes for Tuesday & Wednesday (short, pants, shirts, underwear, socks)
- Pack PE shirt to wear on Wednesday for the trip back to school
- Towel and toiletries (soap, deodorant, toothbrush & paste, sanitary products, etc)
- Personal first aid items (Eg. epipen, asthma puffer, etc)
- Sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Torch

Checklist of what **NOT to bring on camp:**

Please note that NO electronic devices or phones are permitted on the camp. Please ensure your son/daughter leaves these items with you or in the school safe.

Permission Forms and Signed Agreement:

Due to the specific instructions that students will need to follow while on camp, each student and parent must read, sign and return the consent form (see pages below) **by Friday, 27th October.**

Kind regards,

Larissa Fontana, Adam Di Rosso, Stefan Gouws & Amitha Narlapati
Year 9 Aspire Team

Year 9 Mornington Adventure Camp Consent Form

By attending the Mornington Adventure Camp (20th – 22nd November 2023), you are agreeing to follow the set of rights and responsibilities below.

Rights

- It's your right to be in a safe, welcoming, fun environment, where you make memories with your classmates and teachers that you'll remember for a long time.
- It's your right to enjoy the activities designed to support your growth academically, socially, emotionally, and physically.
- It's your right to participate in the solo challenge as it has been designed.

Responsibilities

For this to happen, it is your responsibility to

- **Follow leaders' instructions**, which includes:
 - Staff & Volunteers
 - Accommodation caretaker
 - Take responsibility for my things and the equipment I use
- **Rest well:**
 - Observe lights out times. This is to ensure that you are well rested for the day's activities and your teachers can also rest to fulfil their duty of care responsibilities each day.
- **Respect others comfort, safety, and privacy:**
 - Staying out of other people's tents, especially those of another gender.
 - Changing clothes in areas where you are not visible to others. The bathrooms are the safest place for this to take place.
- **Be ready on time:**
 - Make sure you're aware of the times you are required to be places and keep to them – including meal times, group meeting times, etc.
 - Ensure you manage personal hygiene (e.g. showers, brushing teeth, use of deodorant)
- **Participate positively in worship and group activities and act 'above the line'.**
- **Leave electronic devices including phones and music devices at home.**
- **Look out for each other:**

Students may be excluded from certain activities if the above rules are not followed or parents/guardians may be called to come collect their child.

Parents/Carers

I give my son/daughter, _____ permission to attend Mornington Adventure Camp.

Please tick which box applies to your son/daughter:

- ☐ Does not own a mobile phone
- ☐ Will leave mobile phone at home
- ☐ Will need mobile phone for transport reasons. Please collect the phone before camp and return to my child at the end.

Please note any dietary requirements (eg. dairy free, gluten free, etc.) _____

Parent Signature:

Student signature:

Date:

Date:

My Purpose Presentations

Monday 27th – Wednesday 29th November

One of the most significant tasks for students this year is the Term 4 Major Assessment. Students will give an 8–10 minute presentation that will include a reflection of their experience / learning this year and a personal 'purpose statement' to guide them in the future.

We would like to invite you, and any other significant adults in your child's life, to attend your child's presentation. It will be a great opportunity to support your child as they share their reflections on this year and their dreams for the future.

We have created a range of timeslots for the student presentations to make it as convenient as possible for you to attend.

We do understand that you may be normally working or unavailable during school hours. But if you can 'arrive late to work' or have an 'extended lunch break' so you can attend, we're sure your child would appreciate it – even if they say they don't want parents to attend!!

To assist us with scheduling the presentations, can you please complete the form attached and **return it by Friday, 27th of October**. (First requests in will be allocated first)

Your Name: _____ **Contact Phone:** _____

☐ **NO, I WON'T BE ABLE TO ATTEND ANY OF THE PRESENTATION TIME SLOTS.**

☐ **YES, I CAN ATTEND THE TIMESLOTS THAT I'VE INDICATED BELOW...**

Please write your child's name in **ALL** the **possible** slots that you could attend...

Once all forms have been submitted and a timetable has been organised, a copy will be sent out to all families with the specific times.

Mon 27 th Nov	Tues 28 th Nov	Wed 29 th Nov
9:15 – 10:45	9:15 – 10:45	9:15 – 10:45
Recess	Recess	Recess
11:15 – 12:45	11:15 – 12:45	N/A
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:45 – 3:15	1:45 – 3:15	N/A

PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL BY WEDNESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER.

Celebration Dinner

Date: Wednesday 29th November

We are looking forward to celebrating the students' efforts and achievements this year, with our **Celebration Dinner starting at 5pm on Wednesday, 29th November.**

Towards the end of the term, students will begin designing, planning and decorating the Assembly Hall in preparation for this event.

Students should wear smart attire – like what they might wear to church or a wedding.

Parents, please come to the assembly hall at 8:30pm for a fun 'Awards Ceremony' and to get some pictures with your child. The evening will conclude around 9:30pm.

Adventure World

Date: Friday 1st December

As an end of year celebration for the class, we will be taking the students to Adventure World on **Friday, 1st December**. Adventure World is open from 10am to 5pm.

Students will have a few options in getting to and from Adventure World as we want to maximise the time the students can spend there.

1. There will be a bus leaving school at 9:00am. Students that want to return on this bus will need to leave Adventure World at 2:30pm and will arrive back at school in time for normal pick up or bus services at 3:23pm
2. Students may catch public transport to and from Adventure World.
3. Students can organise their own private transport.

Supervision by staff will be provided at Adventure World from **10am to 2:30pm**.

Students are required to wear either their PE shirt or Year 9 Aspire T-shirt in the morning, but may change out of it once we are in Adventure World.

Students should bring a packed lunch and water bottle or money to purchase these while at Adventure World. Students should also ensure they pack personal first aid items (eg. asthma puffer, epipen), towel and a change of clothes.

Please fill in the permission form and advise us what transport option best suits your family.

If you have questions about any of the Term 4 information above, please don't hesitate to make contact.

Your sincerely,

Adam Di Rosso, Larissa Fontana, Amitha Narlapati & Stefan Gouws

Year 9 Adventure World Consent Form

By attending Adventure World (1st December 2023), you are agreeing to follow the set of rights and responsibilities below.

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Parent Signature:

Student signature:

Date:

Date:

Adventure World Transport: Friday 1st December

Student Name: _____

PLEASE TICK A BOX FROM BOTH COLUMNS

Getting there

- ☐ **School Bus** – from school at **9:00am**.
- ☐ **Public transport** – arrive at Adventure World at 10:00am.
- ☐ **Personal transport** – arrive at Adventure World by 10:00am.

Returning home

- ☐ **School Bus** – leave Adventure World early and arrive back at school at 3:20pm.
- ☐ **Public transport** – leave Adventure World by 5pm.
- ☐ **Personal transport** – pick up from Adventure World by 5pm.

Parent Signature: _____