



## Year 7 Camp 2024

The Year 7 Camp is an integral part of the orientation process and will be held at the Busselton Baptist Camping Centre, Caves Road, Siesta Park from Wednesday, 31 January to Friday, 2 February 2024.

Some additional information will be emailed to parents in the fortnight leading up to the camp over the school holidays, through 'Consent2Go', which is our permissions platform for camps and excursions - where parents provide formal permission for their children to attend the camp. Copies of the students' Medical Information will also be taken on camp.

Students are to be at school by 8.00am on Wednesday, 31 January, ready to depart by 8.15am. Students from Busselton, Dunsborough and surrounding areas may meet those leaving the School at Busselton Baptist Camping Centre from 9.15am if they wish. It is essential that each student has adequate sunscreen, a hat and a water bottle. These items should be carried in a small day pack on the bus. Please do not allow your child to bring lollies or chewing gum with them. Students will need to bring morning tea and lunch on the first day, preferably in disposable bags/packaging or containers rather than in reusable plastic containers/lunchboxes. All other food and meals will be provided for the duration of the camp.

On Friday, 2 February we will be returning to school by 3.30pm. Students who live south of Bunbury may be collected by parents or guardians from Centennial Park, Dunsborough, between 2pm and 2.15pm. To assist with the final arrangements for the camp, we would request that the [Student Dietary Requirements and Transport Information Form](#) be completed indicating any special dietary requirements and drop-off/pick-up arrangements. This form can be found by following this above link and it would be appreciated if this could be completed by the **end of the 2023 school year at the latest**. All relevant camp forms can also be found on the school [website](#).

If your child has any changes to their health or travel arrangements over the course of the holidays and/or just before our departure, please advise me via email. Students who require the administration of medication by staff during camp will be required to complete a form which will be provided in the week leading up to camp. Students who take regular medications, including vitamins, will be required to have these packed into a medication management system and labelled accordingly by a pharmacist. This can be arranged with your local pharmacist for a small fee. As required, medications such as Paracetamol, Ibuprofen and Antihistamines will be provided by the School and staff will administer these as needed, subject to the parental permissions given through SEQTA. Appropriate arrangements will also be put in place for those students with special dietary requirements.

To avoid unnecessary anxiety about clothes, we ask parents to follow the checklist provided and discourage any tendency to bring fashionable items (including makeup). We would also discourage students from bringing any uniform related clothing, including their school hat. Please limit the amount of luggage to a day pack, one bag and sleeping bags/bedding. Students are not to bring electronic equipment to the camp such as mobile phones, iPods, iPads, computer games etc. However, students may bring a compact digital or disposal camera. **All students need to be dressed in their bathers with shorts and a T-shirt over them on the first morning** as some groups will go straight to aquatic activities and will not have time to change.

There will be the recommended number of experienced staff supervising the students at all activities. Anticipated aquatic activities include surfing, raft building, paddle boarding and canoeing. Other activities include a visit to *Next level Monkey Business*, team-building and Positive Education sessions and an engineering challenge. In the event that your child is unable to attend the start of the camp on Wednesday, 31 January due to illness, please contact the School as early as possible on the day, by phoning Administration on 9722 6000.

I will also make myself available to answer any specific questions parents may have from 3.30pm-4.30pm on **Monday, 29 January 2024** in the Year 7 Centre. Alternatively, parents may contact me at school on 9722 6000 or email at [jeremy.potter@bcgs.wa.edu.au](mailto:jeremy.potter@bcgs.wa.edu.au) at any time.

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## Personal Belongings Checklist

- \* **Please bring this list with you to camp**
- \* Baggage limit: Daypack, one bag or case + sleeping gear.
- \* Please bring morning tea and lunch for the day of departure
- \* **ALL CLOTHES MUST BE CLEARLY NAMED**

<b>CLOTHING:</b>	1 pair rubber soled shoes or joggers	[ ]
	1 pair thongs or reefs	[ ]
	3 pairs socks	[ ]
	1 pair jeans (good casual)	[ ]
	3 pairs shorts	[ ]
	shirts or blouses	[ ]
	1 jumper	[ ]
	underclothes	[ ]
	tracksuit	[ ]
	bathers, rash shirt (if you have one) and beach towel	[ ]
	hat ( <b>must</b> have a brim)	[ ]
	pyjamas	[ ]
	raincoat	[ ]

<b>TOILETRIES:</b>	tissues	[ ]
	towel	[ ]
	soap, face washer	[ ]
	toothbrush + toothpaste	[ ]
	brush + comb	[ ]
	shampoo	[ ]
	insect repellent	[ ]
	sunscreen – vast quantities!	[ ]

<b>SLEEPING GEAR:</b>	sleeping bag + 1 sheet <b>or</b> sheets + blanket	[ ]
	pillow + pillowcase	[ ]

<b>EQUIPMENT:</b>	reading book(s)	[ ]
	1 litre water container (one that can be carried–named please)	[ ]
	money for an ice cream at Next Level Monkey Business (limit of \$10.00)	[ ]
	camera (optional)	[ ]
	torch	[ ]

**DO NOT BRING:** *computer games, laptops, mobile phones, MP3 players, iPods, iPads, chewing gum, lollies, other food.*