



Dear Whaanau,

CAMP ADAIR 16 - 18TH AUGUST 2021

This is the first letter to provide details of our upcoming school camp in August. This is to be held from Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th August at Camp Adair in Hunua. This is week 4 of next term.

We take all our students to camp as it is such a great opportunity for children to learn how to be independent and develop resilience and leadership in an environment other than school and their home.

For some children it is their first time away from home overnight or without their parents and for others this is just another exciting experience. The teaching staff know your children well and will help them to feel safe, brave and confident in their camp experience. We are not going too far from home and will be able to contact whaanau easily in an emergency.

I have completed a RAMS (risk assessment) visit to the Camp and know that we are all going to have a great time! Included in this letter is information about: the activities at camp, the cost of camp, parent / transport help, gear list.

ACTIVITIES AT CAMP

Closer to the time, I will send out a full itinerary of each day, however students will be involved in some of the following activities depending on age: flying kiwi, low ropes course, orienteering, climbing wall, high beam, mudslide, glow worms.

COST OF CAMP

The cost of our 3 day camp is approximately \$4000. This includes the food, accommodation and the equipment hire with the majority going to pay for the instructor costs and use of the adventure facilities. As a school we believe every child should be able to come to camp and that finances shouldn't prohibit this. That is why we fundraise leading up to the event so that there is NO COST to families.

However please help by doing your part to contribute to our fundraising, such as this term's raffle. Every small amount all adds up!

PARENT HELP / TRANSPORT HELP

We will be asking for volunteers to help at camp across the three days. Because of our small numbers we will only need to take a handful of parents to support the outdoor activities. Please consider carefully whether you can help and if you meet the requirements for a 'parent on camp'. All adults on camp must have a valid police vet which the school will apply for. We cannot have visitors during the camp who do not have this. More information about parent help will be sent home next week.

Transport Help

We will require help transporting students and their gear to camp on Monday morning and returning them to school on Wednesday at lunch time. Vehicles must have a valid warrant of fitness and registration and the driver must have their full licence. Copies of these will be taken by the school.

Please feel free to contact me by email principal@tekohanga.school.nz or by phoning the school 09 232 8881 if you have any questions.

Camp Adair 2021 GEAR LIST

The cabins we are staying in do not have heaters so please make sure your child has a warm sleeping bag and/or blanket.

We will definitely be getting wet! So please pack extra clothes and warm layers.

	<u>ITEM</u>	
	Single sheet, sleeping bag, blanket and pillow	
	At least two pairs of enclosed footwear (not including gumboots)	
	Jandals, slippers, ugg boots (to wear around the cabins and bathrooms)	
	Socks x 5 pairs	
	Underwear x 5 pairs	
	Woollen Hat and Sun Hat	
	Trousers x 3 pairs	
	tshirts/long sleeve shirts x 3	
	Jumper x 2	
	Warm coat / raincoat x 1	
	Other suitable clothing for cold weather	
	Towel and toiletries (shampoo, hairbrush, tooth brush etc)	
	Togs/Old tshirt/shorts for the mudslide	
	Medication (this must be given to a teacher before camp)	
	Water bottle (named)	
	Plastic bag for wet clothes	
	1 x packet of biscuits / cake to have for morning / afternoon tea	

	<u>Optional</u>	
	Gloves	
	Torch and batteries	

DO NOT BRING: Mobile phones or devices, money, expensive clothing and jewellery.
There are no power points in the cabins.

DO NOT BRING: chewing/bubble gum, fizzy drinks