Dear Parents and Students,

Part of the curriculum for Temple Christian College Year 10 students is a four-day Endurance Camp. There is an expectation that all Year 10 students will attend.

The information below outlines the details of the Camp. Please read carefully, sign and return the “Consent Form” as soon as possible to the SSO (please return by Friday 2nd December 2016).

HISTORY:
Temple Christian College has been running the Year 10 Camp for 18 consecutive years. The camp began in 1999 at Pendleton Farm Retreat near Keith in the South-East. Since 2004 the Mylor Baptist Camp Site has been used. Both the staff and the facilities available are fantastic.

SITE:
Name: The Mylor Baptist Camp.
Address: Wingrove Road, Mylor
Phone: 8388 5234

DATES:
Departure: Tuesday 14th February 2017 at 7.30am (Arrive at school by 7:00am at the latest)
Return: Friday 17th February 2017 at approximately 2.00pm

COST:
Cost: Included as part of the Year 10 Tuition fee as this is a compulsory part of the Year 10 Curriculum.
It covers: Transport, Accommodation, Meals and Activities.
Extra: There is an opportunity during 2 x 30min periods during each day where the students may purchase a can of soft drink and/or a chocolate bar from the kitchen. (Please limit the amount of money you bring to $10 for security reasons).

TRANSPORT:
Departure: Hire buses departing outside the SSO on Henley Beach Road at 7.30am on Tuesday (must be there by 7:00am at the latest to pack your gear onto the bus).
NOTE: (If parents want to wait with their children can they please park in the car park on James Congdon Drive).
Return: Hire buses returning to the school by 2.00pm on Friday.

ACTIVITIES:
Structured: Laser Skirmish, Giant Swing, High Ropes Course, Rock wall, Archery, Canoeing, Mountain Bike Riding, Flying Fox, Orienteering, The Temple Challenge, The Enduro (10km run), Early Morning Fitness Sessions, Camp Concert
Free time: Table Tennis, Pool, Tennis, Swimming Pool, Soccer, Basketball, Puzzles etc
WHAT TO BRING:
Clothing: Old Clothes (due to some of the endurance activities, students will get dirty). 2 pairs of sneakers (1 may get wet and muddy during the canoeing activity). Thongs or sandals. Casual summer clothing for 4 days (no midriffs or inappropriate slogans). Casual warm clothing. (Although Mylor is usually hot in the summer there can be cool days. Nights are usually cold so some warm clothing should be packed in case). Pyjamas and Bathers Hat (this is an essential item).
Toiletries: Towel, face washer, soap, toothpaste, hairbrush. No make-up or jewellery. Deodorant (roll on… no aerosol cans). Sun screen is provided but a personal pack of sunscreen may be helpful. Mosquito repellent (roll on… no aerosol cans).
Bedding: Pillow, sleeping bag or blanket and sheets.
Electrical: Torch Camera (only if used appropriately)
Other Items: Pen and paper.

WHAT NOT TO BRING:
(The teachers reserve the right to check bags if there is a suspicion of the following items that have been brought to the camp. If found, these items will be confiscated)
Electrical Items: Mobile phones. Video Cameras, MP3 players/iPods. Should a parent specifically require a phone to come with their child, the phone will be kept by staff and will only be issued between 5-6 pm. A note from a parent must accompany the phone. This is only for special circumstances. Students are not permitted to have phones in the sleeping accommodation.
Toiletries: Aerosol cans, make up and jewellery.
Other Items: Energy drinks, chewing gum, or any item which is against the school rules.

BEHAVIOUR:
Good Behaviour: Is expected
Exceptional Behaviour: Is rewarded
Inappropriate Behaviour: Will not be tolerated

Staff are well aware that the majority of students will come on the camp confident that they will have a great time. A number of students will come feeling very apprehensive and a possible small minority may come looking for opportunities to have input that works against good outcomes. Rarely has a student who feels apprehensive about the camp at the start, not gone home feeling elated and encouraged by the experience. On the other hand, it is regrettable that in previous years one or more students have worked against the good outcomes for the camp and have had to be sent home.

RATIONALE:
The camp is conducted to develop the students’…
Character & Perseverance: through various challenging/fun activities.
Service & Initiative: through a structured merit system.
Ability to work in team/lead: through various challenging/fun activities.
Ability to relate to others: through spending extended times together in a different environment with friends and as a group.
Spiritual Growth: through morning devotions as shared by teachers and students.
Medical Information

In order to participate in this camp, detailed and up to date medical information is required both for Camp and School organisers. Please complete the attached and provide where required:

1. **FRIDAY DECEMBER 2ND, 2016** is the due date for the Medical Form and Consent & Acknowledgement of Risk Form to be returned to the SSO at School.

   The timely return of these forms allows for data entry in preparation for Camp and follow up as necessary. If you feel that additional information should be supplied regarding your child's medical or psychological history then please attach it to the Medical Form. Please note any medication your child may require whilst on camp on the Camp Medical Form.

2. **MONDAY JANUARY 30TH, 2017** is the due date for a 2017 Personal Medical Management Plan and Emergency Medical Plan to be submitted for students who have pre-existing medical conditions such as asthma, allergy, anaphylaxis, diabetes or epilepsy. Parents may submit a Plan for other medical conditions. Student Services staff will contact parents if the School requires a Medical Plan for other medical conditions.

   Copies of Medical Plans will be kept in the student's file at school to be updated annually.

3. **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH, 2017** is the due date for all medication required to be taken to camp to be submitted to the Student Services Office.

   Parents are required to provide a signed authorisation in order for School Staff to dispense medication together with clear instructions of dosage, when medication is to be taken and under what circumstances (for example ‘before eating’). **This includes** over-the-counter medication such as Nurofen or travel sickness tablets and medication that may be taken infrequently.

   Students who use a reliever puffer for asthma should carry their asthma puffer with them at all times. The canister should be clearly labelled with the child’s name.

   The School First Aid kits contain Paracetamol and Anti-histamines. Parents indicate permission for dispensary of these items on the Camp Medical Forms. Students are not permitted to carry these items in their luggage or on their person. Parents may supply these items as per conditions listed under point 3 above.

   Under no circumstances is a student permitted to self-medicate without supervision or offer medication to any other student.

   If you are unsure about your child’s ability to participate in the programmed camp activities based on their medical condition, then please consult your family physician to advise on your child’s fitness to participate.

If you require any further information about the program please contact Mr Todd Purdy, Year 10 Camp Coordinator, at Temple Christian College on todd.purdy@tcc.sa.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Todd Purdy