ABERFELDY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Caregivers,





Only a week to go till we leave for camp! Although we will be sharing the camp with another school, all of our activities, sleeping arrangements and meeting rooms will be seperate.

Pick Up Point / Time: Everyone is to meet at the parking area at Virginia Lake (by the Bird Aviary) at **7.30am** on Monday morning 15th March.. Please don't be late as we want to be on the road by 8.00am.

Drop Off Times: We aim to be back in Wanganui by around **3.30pm** on Wednesday afternoon and will meet back at the car park by Virginia Lake. If there are any delays or changes to time we will contact you at least ½ hour before predicted drop off time. It is imperative that we have correct cell phone numbers / phone numbers to be able to contact parents / caregivers.

Gear List: Please ensure students come with appropriate clothing and footwear. A warm jacket is a must in case of cold weather and sneakers are required for climbing activities. Students clothing and all **gear needs to be named** including lunchboxes and drink bottles.

Lunch for First Day: Everyone must bring morning tea and a cut lunch for the first day along with a water bottle to use throughout their time at camp.

Medication: If your child has asthma or needs other medication during our time at camp please ensure it is packed in their bag and is clearly labelled with their name and instructions. It needs to be handed in to Mr Moore or Raewyn so it can be kept in a safe place for the duration of camp.

School Staff / Parents Attending: Mr Moore, Mrs Hawker and Raewyn will all be going to camp. Paul Doughty and Denni Herewini are also going to be joining us.

Parents Coming to Camp: We have limited vacancies (3) for any parents that are wanting to come to camp. Parents attending camp have to be Police Vet checked(which can take up to 4 weeks) so if you wish to be considered to attend please advise the school ASAP so we can start the process. There will also be a minimal charge of \$60.00 per parent to help towards costs. If we have more than 3 parent volunteers we will just do a ballot to see who can come Thanks in advance to the parents that do volunteer as without you camp wouldn't be possible. All adults attending camp will be given a folder with all the relevant information on the morning that we leave.

Transport: We will be taking the two school vans, school trailer and one other vehicle.

Cost: All children are asked to contribute \$100.00 towards the cost of the camp. This is only a portion of the total cost and we would appreciate all families making the effort to pay this. If you would like to start "paying off" your camp fee you are welcome to do so, either by a direct credit to the school account or by sending money each week to school (clearly labeled with name and camp on the envelope). This can equate to as little as \$3.00 per week for the remainder of the school year if you set up an automatic payment. School bank account details are:

Name: Aberfeldy School Bank: BNZ Account number: 02-0792-0329292-002

Cell phones: If students take cell phones with them (for taking photos / music etc) then they are responsible for them. We recommend that they have their phone in a zip lock bag - with their name on it. There is **NO** cellphone coverage at Vertical Horizons and internet usage is charged for. (\$10.00 per 1 GB) Please note: it is a Vertical horizon Health & Safety requirement that cellphones are not to be used or carried during activities. Failure to obey this rule will see your child not being able to take part in these activities.

Swimming: All students will undergo a swimming commentancy test before being able to go in the water / or take part in water activities. There will be adults in the water with students at all times.

Calling Home / Calling Camp: There is no cellphone coverage at camp. If you NEED to contact the school (or your child) you can call the camp on **(06) 756 8770**. If your child needs to ring home they will need to have a Telecom Calling card.

Meal times: 8.00am Breakfast 10.15am Morning tea

12.30pm Lunch 3.15pm Afternoon tea

5.00pm Tea 9.00pm Supper

Activities: We will be in two groups for some of the activities (some are age restricted)

		Group 1 (7yrs +)	Group 2 (Under 7's)
Monday	11.00-11.45	ARRIVE AT VERTICAL HORIZON SET UP/CAMP ORIENTATION / TEACHER INDUCTION	
	11.45-12:30	Grass Karts	
	1.15-2.15	Archery	
	2.15-3.15	Orienteering	
	3.30-4.30	Swim Test/Swimming	
	7:00-9.00	Night Activities	
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Tuesda y	9:15-10:15	Catwalk	Activities with Teachers/Parents
	10.30-11.30	Kiwi	
	11:30-12:30	Blind Trail	
	1:15-2:15	Multivine	Activities with Teachers/Parents
	2:15-3:15	River Walk	
	3.30-4.30	Swimming/Water Slide	
	7:00-9.00	Night Activities	
Wednes day	9.15-10.15	Air Rifles	
	10.15-11.15	Zipline	Activities with Teachers/Parents
	11.00-11:30	Mud Run	
	11.30 – 1:00	Lunch/Clean Up/Pack Up	

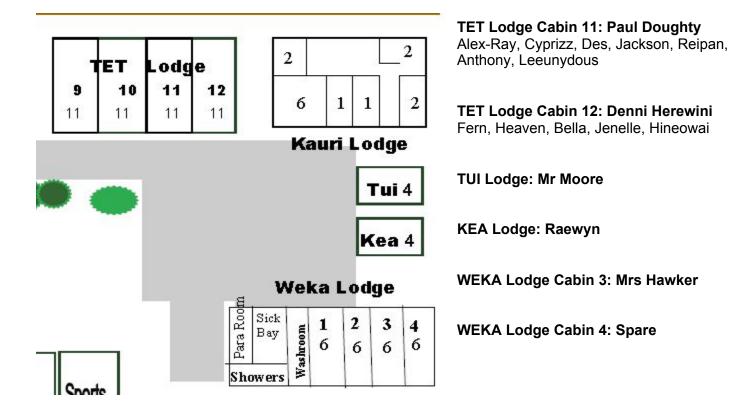
Gear List:

BEDDING:	CLOTHING:	
Sleeping bag	(Tidy dress clothes and activewear)	
Pillow and pillow case	2-3 warm jerseys	
Bottom sheet	4 shirts or tops	
	2-3 pairs of long trousers	
	2 pairs of shorts	
	Underwear	
	Thermals	
	A good raincoat	
	A warm Jacket	
	Sleepwear	
	Handkerchiefs or tissues	
	Togs	
	Sunhat	
	Beanie	
	Old clothes that can get dirty	
FOOTWEAR:	TOILET GEAR:	
Sensible walking shoes	Toothbrush and toothpaste	
3-5 pairs of socks	Soap	
Slippers (optional)	Flannel	
	Hairbrush	
	Bathing and swimming towels	
	Other toiletries	
MISCELLANEOUS:	OPTIONAL EXTRAS:	
Pack or school bag	Camera, books,	
Lunch box	Sunscreen and insect repellant	
Plastic drink bottle		
Packed lunch for the first day	Note -	
Home baking or	Please keep lollies and chocolate to a very	
packet of biscuits for our snacks and suppers	sensible level.	
Torch		
Plastic bags for wet / dirty clothing	No gum	
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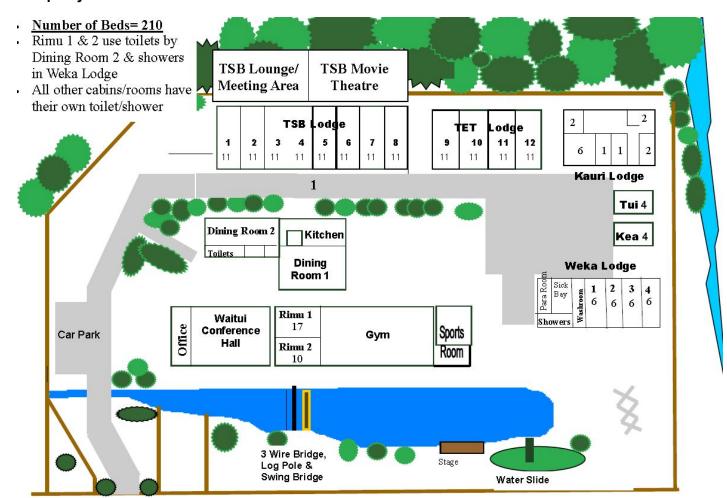
Please ensure <u>all</u>items are named (even towels and bedding)

Learners do not need to bring cell phones or other devices with them (no cell phone coverage). If you need to make contact with your child or the teachers please contact the school office and they will make contact with us.

Sleeping Arrangements:



Camp Layout:



Map tp Vertical Horizons:

