

Seventh-day Adventist Church*

Sydney

Summer Camps – 2024

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are very excited that Summer Camps, 2024, is just around the corner!

Thank you for registering your child!

This letter has been written to give you the important information you will need for Summer Camps.

Theme

This year's theme is "Under Construction". We will be looking at how to be kingdom builders. We are praying that the young people that come will leave inspired and ready to serve Him.

Location

Our Summer Camps will take place at Crossland's Youth and Convention Centre, located at – 100 Crosslands Rd Galston.

Dates & Times

Teen Summer Camp (14-18 yrs) – 9th - 14th January

Jets Summer Camp (10-13yrs old) – 16th – 21st January

Travel

All participants must be dropped to Crosslands Youth and Convention Centre. There will be no buses doing runs from the Schools this year.

Teens Drop off

- Tuesday, January 9th - 2024
- Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Teens Pick up

- Sunday, January 14th – 2024
- Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm



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Jets Drop off

- Tuesday, January 16th – 2024
- Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Jets pick up

- Sunday, January 21st – 2024
- Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

***Please drive carefully when entering Crosslands from Galston. The road is narrow all the way in and there have been collisions on this road before.**

Accommodation

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All campers sleep in cabins with approximately 4 other children and with two cabin counselors. Cabin counselors are our staff and are all screened before coming on as staff, have working with children checks – if over 18, and have been trained in, and adhere to, our Adsafes policies.

Food & Water

The camp fee includes all catering. We encourage participants to bring a water bottle.

Activities

The activities on offer this year include:

- Archery
- Archery Attack / Nerf Wars
- Canoeing (not available for Teens)
- Craft / Kite Construction
- Flying Fox (not available for Teens)
- High Ropes
- Legomania
- Master Chef
- Mountain Biking
- R/C Racing
- Steps
- Stand Up Paddle Boarding (not available for Juniors)
- Waterskiing

*Juniors and Teens will both get a Super Water Ski Day.

* Some activities won't run every day due to low numbers choosing that activity. We will do our best to give the campers their preferences.



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What to Bring

- Water Bottle
- Bible and Pen
- Everyday Clothing
- Old Clothes & Covered Shoes for Activities
- Sunscreen
- A hat & Sunscreen
- Closed-in shoes
- Swimmers – Rashie Shirt and Board Shorts (No Bikinis)
- A spare change of clothes
- A warm jacket
- Pillow, Sheet, Sleeping Bag
- A towel
- A bag to keep gear in
- Toiletries
- Smart Casual clothes for Saturday

Banned Items

- Mobile Phones
- Skateboards
- Scooters
- Electronic Devices
- Bluetooth speakers
- High Energy Drinks (V, Red Bull, etc)
- Drugs
- Alcohol
- Tobacco
- Vaporizer.

Please do not allow any of the above items to be brought to the event. If electronic items including mobile phones are brought, and loss/damage occurs, the organisers and their entities will NOT be held responsible for this.

*Anyone who brings a mobile phone to camp, will be asked to hand it into the camp Director. It will then be stored in a safe until the end of the camp. This rule has been put in place to help maintain a unique, focused, and spiritual environment during the camp.

Phone

You may reach your child or a Staff member at - 02 87765233. Please note, however, that the phone will not be manned all day and your child will not always be available as



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much of the day is spent out on activities and the like. Your child may also call you on this phone for a small fee - a gold coin.

For urgent matters, you may reach Pr Eden - Camp Director at 0428 992 727 or at edenashcroft@adventist.org.au. Please note that reception is poor at Crossland's, but Eden's phone (and email) will be monitored at intervals throughout the day.

Banquet

Along with the camp theme, Under Construction, the banquet theme will be "Construction". So come dressed ready for the work site and for an evening of fun!

General Safety

All our activities are run by skilled staff and a thorough risk management process is implemented before and during the activities.

To ensure a COVID-safe event we ask that anyone with COVID-19 or symptoms of COVID-19 do not attend. Symptoms include - fever or symptoms of respiratory infection (cough, sore throat, shortness of breath). To avoid an outbreak at the camp anyone who shows symptoms during the camp, will be tested by our Camp nurse, and sent home if positive. Refunds will be given accordingly (they will be based on time spent at the camp).

For water ski activities – all our water ski staff are trained, appropriately licensed, and operate in a professional and safe manner. It is a requirement that all staff and participants must wear a life jacket when in the water. We will also have assigned staff to monitor children who are in the water, whether on the shore or in the pools. In saying that, please let us know if your child cannot swim or is not a strong swimmer.

When on the waterside - shelters will be erected to keep our young people out of the sun. We will also have sunscreen available, but we still suggest they apply sunscreen before they arrive and wear appropriate sun-safe clothing.

Child Safety

It is a requirement that all of our Staff members are Adsafe trained and approved, in addition to having valid Working With Children Checks.

In line with our AdSafe Child Safety policies, we ask that after parents have dropped off and signed in their children - that they leave the site. Please also only arrive at the allocated drop-off and pick-up times and no earlier.



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We look forward to having the young people from around Greater Sydney with us at the Summer Camps – 2024!

Many Blessings,
Moses Depaz & Eden Ashcroft
Youth Directors – Greater Sydney Conference

