***Summer Camps – 2023***

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are writing to update you on the Summer Camps we plan to hold in January of 2023.

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

***A typical day at Summer Camp includes:***

* Morning Worship
* Breakfast
* Morning Activity
* Lunch
* Afternoon Activity
* Free Time (Supervised)
* Dinner
* Evening Worship
* Cabin Time
* Lights Out

The activities on offer this year include:

* Archery
* Canoeing & Paddleboards
* Master Chef
* Craft
* High Ropes
* Flying Fox
* Legomania
* Mountain Biking
* Waterskiing
* Archery Attack / Nerf Games (not available for Juniors)

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

The days at Summer Camp go fast as they are jam packed with fun, faith, and friendship.

During our worship times, we will be looking at "Secret Service" and learning about the ultimate example of service that Jesus set for us all.

***Dates & Times –***

Teen Summer Camp (14-18 yrs) – 12th - 17th January

Jets Summer Camp (10-13yrs old) – 18th - 22nd January

***Price –***

* Teens $385 each
* Jets $320 each

***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).

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 water side - 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.

***Travel –***

All participants must be dropped to Crosslands Youth and Convention Centre.

**TEENS –**

**DROP OFF**

* Thursday, January 12th - 2023
* Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

**PICK UP**

* Tuesday, January 17th – 2023
* Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

**JETS -**

**DROP OFF**

* Wednesday, January 18th – 2023
* Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

**PICK UP**

* Sunday, January 22nd – 2023
* Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

***Accommodation –***

All campers sleep in cabins with approximately 4 other children and with two cabin counsellors. Cabin Counsellors 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 Adsafe policies.

***Food & Water –***

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

***Registration –***

Registration is essential for all attendees. To register your child for Summer Camps – please use the below links:

Teens: <https://events.adventist.org.au/ew/app/registration/index.html?e=9708>

JETS: <https://events.adventist.org.au/ew/app/registration/index.html?e=9640>

Tickets generally sell out quickly, so we advise to not leave things too late.

***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 bought, and loss/damage occurs, the organisers and their entities will NOT be held responsible for this.

***Refund Policy –***

*All*cancellations are subject to a non-refundable $50 administration fee per camp and per child cancelled. All cancellation requests must be made in writing. *C*ancellations made at least 14 days before the start date of summer camp will receive a 75% refund less the non-refundable administrative fee.

If you wish to cancel your child’s summer camp registration within 14 days of the camp’s start date, you will be refunded 50% of the camp fee less the non-refundable $50 administration fee. This is because materials and supplies have been ordered for the camp at this time.

There are no refunds for cancellations requested on or after the start date of your child’s summer camp. Please allow 4-6 weeks for processing of refunds after the last summer camp. Cancellation requests due to medical reasons must be accompanied by a doctor’s certificate at the time of the request and refunds will be considered on an individual basis by the Camp Directors.

We look forward to having the young people from around Greater Sydney with us at the Summer Camps – 2023 where we will join His “Secret Service”!

Many Blessings,

Simon Gigliotti

Youth Director – Greater Sydney Conference