Camp Newsletter # 2













2024 Piwakawaka Team - Year 5 and 6 Camp Carey Park Wednesday 3rd July - Friday 5th July

Monday 29 April, 2024

Dear Whānau,

This is our second 2024 Piwakawaka Camp Information Letter. This letter contains (and has digital links) to important camp documents.

Camp Page - OPS Website

You can find all the information we sent in the previous camp newsletters here: OPS Website - Camp 2024

https://sites.google.com/onehungaprimarv.school.nz/ops-website/events/camp-year-5-6-2024

This will be updated with all the information we share to whanau.

In this camp newsletter we have included...

- Camp Donations information
- Fundraising
- Camp Permission form & Camp Student Health Profile Please return by Friday 17th May 2024
- Camp adult helpers info & form to fill in (if you are interested in being an adult helper at camp) Please return by Friday 17th May 2024
- Camp Equipment List
- Date and time for the camp information evening

Camp Costs / Camp Donations

Our school opted into the Government Donation Scheme. This means that we received some funding based on the number of students on our July 2023 roll. As a result of opting into the donation scheme, our school cannot ask families for any fees or donations this year - with the exception of overnight camps.

MOE Website - Payments schools can and can't ask parents to pay for and more parent quidelines

The unique experience of camp really is a highlight for children in their school years and we welcome donations of the camp cost from families. The actual cost of camp is \$320.00 per child (accomodation, catering, bus, activities, instructors etc).

We are asking for whānau to pay only \$170 per child of camp donation. This could be paid in instalments or a lump sum if you wish. Payments can be made now online into our bank account number 12-3055-0173711-00 Reference CAMP and CHILD'S NAME. You can also pay using eftpos in the office or see Erin in our office if you would like to pay in instalments.



If you are only able to pay part of the donation, we would appreciate that too.

Remember under the guidelines set by the Ministry this is a voluntary contribution, your child will still be able to attend camp if you choose not to pay anything.

Donations and Sponsoring

In previous years, in true OPS 'We CARE' spirit some families have indicated they would like to anonymously donate to sponsor another child. If you would like to do this please let your child's whānau teacher, Viki Holley (principal) or the office staff know. A receipt can be provided for tax purposes. Thank you in advance to families who wish to do this.

If you know of a business or organisation who might be prepared to support by sponsoring a child or children, please contact Susan Farley <u>sfarley@onehungaprimary.school.nz</u> or Viki Holley <u>vholley@onehungaprimary.school.nz</u> or come and see one of us.

Fundraising

Darryl - one of our whānau has worked incredibly hard to coordinate and lead the fundraising lunches each week. A huge thank you to her and to the whānau who have come in to help. You can still get involved by adding your name to the roster. Fundraising roster or https://docs.google.com/document/d/17QlipjnKDjFoaGvko6O849WjouxmdW1SMrrWLhl21a4/edit?usp=shairing

We have a number of fundraising events already underway. We would appreciate you getting your child and whānau involved in as many of these as possible to support the costs of our camp.

Grant applications are underway.

Fundraisers between now and camp include...

- Fundraising lunches
- Samosas and Preserves sales
- Approaches to local business and organisations for sponsorship

Samosa sales will start soon. We will need some whānau help to pack and distribute the orders from the hall from 10am to 1pm on Thursday 72 June <u>Fundraising roster</u> or https://docs.google.com/document/d/17QlipjnKDjFoaGvko6O849WjouxmdW1SMrrWLhl21a4/edit?usp=sharing

Camp Information Evening: Thursday 9th May, 6pm

At 6pm on Thursday 9 May, we invite you and your child to join us for a camp information evening in the Piwakawaka Learning Community. We will go over the camp programme and answer any questions you may have about camp - including the very rigorous health and safety procedures used by the camp. If you have reservations about your child attending camp, this evening will provide lots of information. Please also feel free to talk to your child's whānau teacher if you still have concerns following this meeting.

Camp Permission and Medical Form

All children attending camp must have these forms completed by *Friday 17th May 2024* please. The form can be found at https://forms.gle/CdXr4Wo5XtloDg3XA

If you would like a printed version of this form, please contact your child's teacher.

If you have any problems or questions about this form, please contact your child's teacher.

Camp Adult Helpers

Please complete the form below to indicate your interest in coming to camp as a camp adult helper. Please be aware that while you will have a lot of wonderful experiences with your child while on camp, the main role of a camp adult helper is to support every child at the camp. This will mean that you may not be attached to your child's group. You may be attached to an activity which you will become the expert on and run throughout our time at camp.

The camp adult helper role is one which supports all children and the teachers on camp.

Some years we struggle to get enough adult help for camp, other years we have too many. The cost of adults attending is factored into the overall budget. There are no costs for the adults who attend camp. Please be aware that returning this expression of interest form does not guarantee you will be attending if we have more volunteers than we need.

Camp adult helpers will be involved in a variety of roles including;

- Supporting a group of children
- Encouraging children to take risks, while keeping safety at the forefront
- Setting up and packing up activities
- Many of our adult helpers will become the expert in activities and will lead the activities (Carey Park provides training first)
- Taking part in camp duties and supporting children with the duties
- Supporting plans and decisions made by teachers
- Looking out for ways to help with the smooth and safe running of the camp

Please read the linked <u>OPS Parent code of conduct</u> document before signing below. The form and digital form link is included here - https://forms.gle/SmpBMfK1PtDaLrpdA

VERY IMPORTANT

We ask that forms are completed and returned to school as soon as possible and by the due date indicated on the form. Our planning time for this camp relies on these deadlines. Where possible we have included a digital version of all forms which can be emailed to your child's teacher.

We encourage you to complete forms online via the links listed below if possible. If you are not able to do this, the printed copies are fine too.

<u>Important Camp Dates so far:</u>

- 29/4/24 Documents shared... You can find a copy of all of these on our website due by Friday 17th May 2024
 - o Camp Permission and Medical Form, https://forms.gle/CdXr4Wo5XtloDa3XA
 - Equipment List
 - Camp Adult Helper Expression Of Interest form. https://forms.gle/SmpBMfK1PtDaLrpdA
- 9/5/24 Camp Information Meeting for Children and Families in the Piwakawaka Learning Community 6pm - 7pm
- 17/5/24 Student permission & medical form due back
- 17/5/24 Adult Helper expression of interest form due back
- 21/6/24- Camp donations paid please
- 3/7/24 5/7/24 Year 5 and 6 Camp -these are the dates when we are going

Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions about any aspect of camp.

Thank you for your support,

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Onehunga Primary School Carey Park Camp 2024 Student Equipment List

All items named please.

If you do not have some of these items, please do not go out and purchase them. We have given you this list very early so that we can work together to arrange items to be borrowed. Please let your child's teacher know if you need to borrow an item.

Essential

- Packed lunch for Day 1, with full water bottle
- Drink bottle
- Warm sleeping bag or duvet and a sheet
- Pillow (The bunks have mattresses)
- 2 towels
- Soap, face cloth, shampoo
- Toothbrush, toothpaste
- Sunscreen
- Covered shoes for <u>outdoor</u> activities (not sandals, slides, jandals or Crocs - no jibbets)
- Shoes to wear <u>inside</u> and around camp, e.g., Sandals, slides or jandals or Crocs (no jibbets)
- 3 pairs of shorts
- 3 pairs of trousers/trackpants
- 4 T-shirts
- 2-3 warm jerseys/sweatshirts
- Raincoat/Waterproof jacket
- Socks/underwear
- Pyjamas
- Sun hat
- Warm hat, e.g., beanie
- Day Pack/bag
- Large plastic bag for wet/dirty clothes
- Pencil case. (Pens, pencils etc.)

Optional

- Extra clothes, bedding, toiletries
- Torch
- Book to read
- Small board game, e.g., chess set
- Insect repellent
- Extra blanket

Do Not Bring

- Money or valuables
- Cell phones, iPads, iPods, headphones or other devices
- There is plenty of sports equipment at Carey Park. Please don't bring your own sports equipment
- No food No Lollies/gum/snack foods/drinks or energy drinks etc

Carey Park doesn't allow any other food onsite due to risk of allergies.

Teachers will be bringing school iPads so that we can capture all the awesome moments at camp.

Any medicines in prescribed containers must be handed to your whānau teacher prior to leaving for camp, with your child's name, the dose to be given, and when it should be taken.