

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2017

Dear Parents,

As part of our Camps Program at Pakenham Springs, the Year 4 students attend an external camp. This builds upon the Year 2 experience of the school sleep over before the students again attend another camp in Year 6.

Our Year 4 camp will again take place at Phillip Island Adventure Resort. The students will get to experience a whole range of exciting activities and attractions, including going to A Maze'n'Things, flying fox, giant swing, canoeing, archery, camp cooking and ropes course, along with much more. The camp will take place from Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

The final cost of the camp is \$295. This includes all costs: transport, accommodation, all activities and all meals. Payments can be made anytime from now, in whole or in part payments. These payments can be made by cash or card at the office or via QKR. The final date for all payments to be finalised by is **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July**. We recommend that parents begin paying small amounts regularly to make the cost of camp more manageable.

At this point, we would like to gain an indication of which students will be attending camp. To confirm your child's place on the camp, we would like for the confirmation notice attached to be filled in and returned by **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**.

We are also looking for any enthusiastic and energetic parents who may be able to come along and support our staff on the camp. Parent helpers on camps are an essential part of making camps an enjoyable and worthwhile experience for all students. ***They also assist the school in keeping the costs of a camp down, as without parent support we need to release more staff from classes to ensure we have the correct student to adult ratios which are mandated by the Department of Education at camps. In releasing other staff members, we incur the cost of replacement teachers for these classes. This results in these extra costs being included in the camp cost.*** If you are interested in volunteering to be a parent helper, please fill in the attached expression of interest form and return by **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself at the school. There will be a camp information evening on Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup>. Further details regarding this evening will be distributed closer to the date.

Kind Regards,

Renee Cotterell  
Assistant Principal Years 4-6



**YEAR 4 2017 PHILLIP ISLAND ADVENTURE RESORT CAMP**  
**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I wish for my child to attend the Year 4 camp to Phillip Island Adventure Resort.

No, unfortunately my child will not be attending the Year 4 Camp to Phillip Island Adventure Resort.

Yes, I am interested in attending the camp as a Parent Helper. I understand that I will need to organise a Working with Children check (if not already held). **Please complete details below.**

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_