



# Whangarei Girls' High School

'Empowering Tomorrow's Women'

7<sup>th</sup> August 2019

Dear Parent / Caregiver

## Year 10 Camp Information Letter

- Locations:** Manaia Baptist Camp, 16 McDonald Rd, Taurikura  
Jagger's Farm "beach camp" (located approx half way along ocean beach)
- Dates / times:**
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| Rutherford & Sheppard: | 9am Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> – 3pm Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> November |
| Manaia & Mansfield:    | 9am Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> – 3pm Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> November |
| Bell & Lovelock:       | 9am Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> – 3pm Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> November |
- Cost (including GST):** \$85 (transport, accommodation, equipment maintenance, instructor hire and food).
- Transport:**
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| Bus leaves: | WGHS (Bus Bay, Located on Manse St) 9am (please be there by 8.45am) |
| Taurikura   | 2pm (arrives at WGHS approx 3pm)                                    |
- Activities include:** Abseiling, kayaking, raft building, tramping, overnight rustic camp, fire lighting.

Year 10 students will be attending a three-day activity camp designed to facilitate the beginning of their journey into Year 11 in 2020. This camp will include one night at each location. We as teachers regard this experience as a hugely important part of the students' holistic education. Challenging these students in unique environments will provide clear opportunity to encourage and celebrate growth which can be utilised on their education journey. The programme focuses on the development of group co-operation, interpersonal skills and leadership through a range of challenging activities.

There is an equipment list on the following page. Girls will need to bring a packed lunch for the first day. On the day the girls tramp they will take a small (school bag size) day pack each to carry spare clothing & food / water etc. The remainder of their equipment will be transported to the beach camp location in vans. Students may bring their cellphones, however these (as well as ipods / ipads & music devices etc) will be handed over to the teachers on arrival at the camp, and given back once students get on the bus to go home. Go pro's and cameras are ok.

**Should you need to contact your daughter while she is at camp, please call Ben Smedley (TIC) on 021 435 447.**

Please complete the Year 10 camp On-line Permission Form (link below) and arrange payment by **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October**. This link can also be found on the school website.

<https://forms.gle/DAhscxaNuzjVBuT8>

Yours sincerely

Ben Smedley  
HOD Outdoor Education  
Contact: 021 435 447

Anne Cooper  
Principal

## **The following equipment will be required by each student:**

**All personal equipment and clothing should be clearly labelled and packed into a single bag.**

*Please note: The school has a limited amount of items available for hire. There is a space on the permission form to request these items. (gold coin per item).*

- Packed Lunch for day 1
- One bag for equipment / clothing
- Day pack / School bag (tramp)
- Warm sleeping bag
- Woollen hat & sunhat
- Pillow
- 2 jerseys
- 2 – 3 pairs of socks
- Warm thermal tops
- Raincoat or waterproof jacket
- 2 towels
- 3 pairs of shorts
- Comfy running / walking shoes with good grip
- Swimming gear
- 2 pairs of track pants / trousers
- Wetsuit (if possible – some will be provided at camp)
- 3 – 4 sets of underwear
- Plate , bowl, mug, knife, fork, spoon, tea towel
- Sanitary requirements
- Lunch (first day)
- Torch & Batteries
- Bed roll (for the overnight)
- Drink bottle (min 1.5L)
- Toiletries
- Personal first aid & medication (including sunscreen)
- Beach feet / shoes (for water activities)
- Personal snacks.