



YEAR 8 OUTDOOR LEARNING PROGRAM – ACTIVITY GROUPS

April 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We write to inform our Year 8 families of the upcoming Outdoor Learning Program (OLP), which will take place from **Monday 6 May to Thursday 9 May**, based in the Margaret River region and partnering with The Outdoor Education Group.

DEPARTURE

Students will depart on **Monday 6 May**. Students will be departing from the DLD car park. After arriving at school, students will meet their group leader opposite the DLD on the grass and have their attendance registered, load baggage onto the nominated coach, before departing at **7.00am**, please arrive by 6.45am.

On the day of departure, students will need to carry with them: morning tea, lunch, a hat and a full water bottle for day one. These items can be packed in a small day pack/backpack for students (separate to their primary clothes bag). After lunch on the first day, all meals will be catered for.

RETURN

Students will return to School on **Thursday 9 May** at approximately **5.00pm** and can be collected from the DLD bus bays at this time. Notification to parents by the Senior School Administration will occur if there are significant changes to our estimated return time.

STUDENT GROUPS

Creating opportunities for student agency and furthering pastoral support, we have asked students to nominate another student that they would like to share their Outdoor Learning Program experience with. With much consideration from the many pastoral staff at GGS, the main eight (8) activity groups have been determined and these are attached for your reference. Living our school values provides the framework required for moral, personal, and social growth and we believe that having students group diversity can provide our students with life skills that foster healthy relationships.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please be aware that our GGS Parent Hub is active and has all the information for OLP within it. You can find the Outdoor Learning Program tab by scrolling down and by selecting the Outdoor Learning Program tab, you will then be able to select the relevant information, please find the Parent Hub [HERE](#)



MEDICATIONS & DIETARY INFORMATION

All prescription medications need to be handed to the senior school reception in a prepared Webster pack by **Wednesday 1 May**, so time is running out to get your pharmacist to complete this task. No medication s will be accepted on the morning of departure. A reminder that our guides carry all common over the counter medications.

Dietary requests should have now been completed on Consent 2 Go. If your child is lactose free, gluten free, vegetarian, FODMAP diet, allergies to preservatives, is meat free, or no pork products or one of the dozens of common dietary requirements, please ensure we know asap.

Should you have any queries, please contact Jason Zaus (Director of Outdoor Learning) or Tim Angeloni (Outdoor Learning Program Coordinator) via phone or email.

Yours sincerely

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DLD GROUP MEETING POINT FOR ROLL CALL PRIOR TO BOARDING BUSESSES

PLEASE ARRIVE at 6.45am – we are aiming to depart at 7.00am sharp!

Please meet your group leader at the areas indicated on the map below for roll call.

