



WELCOME TO YEAR 7 CAMP EXCURSION

As part of the focus on student's personal and social growth, the Student Support Team (SST) conducts a camp for Year 7 in Term 1. The camp incorporates an outdoor Education and leisure component and provides students with diverse enjoyable learning opportunities. The camp is an opportunity to develop and promote positive peer relationships in their first term of High School.

The camp will be conducted by The Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens.

Term 1 – Week 5 - Wednesday 28 February – Friday 1 March 2024.

The objectives of the camp are to:

- Provide students with a sense of community and belonging
- Develop their respect for other students
- Improve their feelings of self-worth, confidence and provide them with a sense of achievement
- Develop their communication and social skills
- Develop their physical and recreational skills

Students will be participating in a wide range of activities including canoeing, giant swing, high ropes, abseiling, flying fox and bushcraft as well as organised night time activities. The venue for this year has basic cabin style accommodation, indoor and undercover dining and recreation areas, hot and cold showers. All guides and instructors are fully qualified. Students will rotate through activities in groups and will be accompanied at all times by a Lithgow High School staff member. Catering is provided for all breakfasts, morning teas, lunches, afternoon teas, 2 course dinners and suppers. Special dietary needs can be accommodated provided notice is given. If you would like further information on the venue, you can access the Great Aussie Bush Camp Tea Gardens website at <https://www.bushcamp.com.au/locations/tea-gardens/>

The overall cost of the camp will be **\$346.00**. It will be possible to pay for the camp by instalments. This will assist families in 'easing' into this outlay and help us confirm our numbers early. Payment plan: First payment \$146 can be paid during Term 4 2023, this will be receipted manually then added to your child when they arrive in 2024. \$100 due by Week 2 and \$100 in Week 3 or 4 Term 1 (full payment can also be made at any time).

We hope to have as many students as possible on the camp and would hate to see any keen students miss out because of family circumstances. Please do not hesitate to contact the Year Advisors to discuss your son/daughter's inclusion in this camp.

Yours faithfully

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