



St. John's College

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Year 10 Camp – Wednesday 8th to Friday 10th December 2021

St. John's College prides itself on providing opportunities to all its students to grow and flourish to be the best version of themselves and to achieve their potential. One of the major activities in the school calendar to develop self-confidence, resilience, strategic thinking and a great collegial attitude in a safe and fun environment is through the Year 10 Camp. The whole of Year 10 will be attending the Guthrie Smith Outdoor Education Centre at Tutira which provides qualified and registered instructors supported by SJC teaching staff. Activities include: Canadian canoeing, high ropes, caving, bivouac building from natural resources, daytime walk, glow-worm night walk, safe operation of fire pits and various fun activities.

Itinerary:

- Arrive at school Wednesday no later than 8.35 and outside the Performing Arts Centre.
- We set off no later than 9am. They need their day pack ready and separate from their main bag. In the day pack should be sunscreen, waterproof jacket, appropriate clothing, filled water bottle, sandwich and snacks; see gear list.
- The whole Year 10 cohort is divided up into three groups for the entire camp. There is ample staff supervision through each day and overnight.
- Friday, the whole group returns to St. John's College; we should arrive at SJC by 2.30 in time for the buses; sorry, there are no drop offs en route.

Clothing and personal equipment – please refer to the gear list provided on a separate sheet.

Mobile phones – due to potential damage but mainly the distraction from the values of the camp, students will not be allowed to use mobile devices. Preferably do not give your son a phone to take with him. If he does take one, please have it turned off and placed in a sealed envelope with your son's name on it and handed in upon arrival back at school. They will be stored in the school office and returned upon our arrival.

Emergency contact – there is no reception at the camp. Should a family emergency arise, please call the College on 06 878 6853 during office hours or after hours at the camp: evenings 06 839 7485 after 11pm 06 839 7758. It must be reinforced that these are for utter emergencies only and the latter camp number is the Camp Director's personal home phone line at Tutira.

Snacks and confectionery – we ask that these be kept to a minimum, no cans, plastic bottles nor energy drinks; there will be plenty healthy and filling food and fruit.

Medical/dietary – please state any medical details and/or dietary requirements on the permission forms.

Non-Catholic Religious practices – these will be observed; let us know how we can support these.

Cost – the cost of the camp is \$300, which is extremely good value for the professional guides, activities, accommodation and food, etc. If you would like assistance with part or all of the cost of the camp, please contact myself or the College Office. We normally receive a donation from charities which significantly lowers this. If you have paid more than the final cost, your account will be credited. We are happy to receive part payments; to make payments via internet banking:

06-0645-0326366-000

Field 1 – Son's Surname (as we have it in our school system)

Field 2 – Son's First Name (as we have it in our school system)

Field 3 – Year 10 Camp

Permission Form – <https://forms.office.com/r/N38qYCEaWW>. Please click on this link to complete the *SJC/Guthrie-Smith Health Information Form* ASAP; physical copies are available from the College Office.

If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

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YEAR 10 CAMP GEAR LIST

It is important that your son has the following items to ensure a safe and enjoyable expedition in which he fully participates and makes the most of the learning experiences.

How many	List of gear	Tick
2	poly prop/thermal tops	
2	fleece/woollen outer tops	
2	leggings but not jeans	
1	waterproof raincoat	
2	pairs of shoes suitable for walking, tramp, also for getting wet, laced up (no sandals/jandals)	
set	summer clothing, e.g. shorts, T-shirts and light footwear for around the centre	
1	pair of thick socks	
2	pairs of general socks	
1	woollen hat/beanie	
1	sun hat/cap	
1	set of togs	
1	body towel	
1	day pack	
1	sleeping bag	
1	pillow	
1	roll-up foam mat (for the one overnight in bivouacs)	
1	plastic rubbish bag/garden sack for the sleeping bag and pillow	
set	toiletries	
1	sunscreen lotion (50+)	
1	insect repellent	
set	A few plasters in a re-sealable sandwich-type bag	
1	water bottle (filled and ready)	
set	sandwich and snacks (ready in the day pack for the first activity)	
1	head torch	
1	plastic rubbish bag for wet/dirty gear	

Please name all these items with a permanent marker where possible ☺