

# School Camps – Years 3 to 6



*School camps provide children with the opportunity to work with a variety of adults, that will nurture experiential education, build intergenerational relationships and result in a different style of learning. Teacher involvement is, of course, vital to every successful camp, with the bonds between students and teachers strengthened away from the classroom. Our students have the opportunity to form relationships through first-hand experiences with trained, caring adult role models and experience a sense of achievement in a supervised, safe and positive environment as a result.*

*At all our camps the leaders and teachers are equipped to convey teachable moments in a variety of settings whilst also developing and building upon personal competencies. These competencies should help shape a successful future for our children. Whilst there are many benefits to the experience of a school camp, I have included some of the ones that we as a school feel are of vital importance such as team building, and leadership skills, the ability to overcome limitations and a growth in confidence.*

## **Social skills**

Great opportunities exist to develop a wide range of social skills that strengthen established relationships and develop new ones.

## **Independence skills**

For some children school camp, may be their first time away from home where they have to remember to brush their teeth or finish the vegetables on their plate. Camp provides an opportunity for children to take care of themselves by appreciating the importance of interaction and connections to the physical world. This new-found independence enables the children to recognise the need to look after themselves, each other and their environment.

## **Team building and development of leadership and decision-making skills**

Camp leaders and teachers are active participants in all aspects of camp life, it would not be successful if this was not the case. However, children will often be expected to take on leadership roles and work together as a team to encourage positive decision making.

## **Encouragement of physical fitness and active lifestyles**

During camp, children will be exposed to a variety of experiences. These experiences are active and facilitate learning in a variety of forms, providing a greater awareness of skills and capabilities that may be new for many.

## **Personal challenges**

At camp, children will be exposed to a range of activities that they may not have tried before. Often when children are not under the direction of their parents or carers they will display a more adventurous spirit and will be willing to have a go at things that they may not have tried before.

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<b><i>School Camps</i></b> at Kimberley Park State School				
<i>2020 KPSS School Camps</i>				
<b>Year Level</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Theme</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>Length</b>
Year 3	Term 3 Week 8 2 -3 September	Firsts <i>Day Camp x 2 Days</i> ( <i>Camp run by Character Builders</i> )	Wellington Point KPSS (Late evening day 1 – with a sausage sizzle and movie home 7:30pm)	2 days
<a href="https://www.characterbuilders.com.au">https://www.characterbuilders.com.au</a>				
Year 4	Term 4 Week 7 16-18 November	Beach Camp	Runaway Bay Camp	2 nights 3 days
<a href="http://www.sportssupercentre.com.au/education/">http://www.sportssupercentre.com.au/education/</a>				
Year 5	Term 4 Week 4 27-30 October	Leadership Character Development <i>Adventure Camp</i>	Emu Gully Adventure Centre	3 nights 4 days
<a href="https://www.emugully.com.au">https://www.emugully.com.au</a>				
Year 6	Term 4 Week 2 12-16 October	Educational <i>Building Independence</i>	Sydney/Canberra Trip	4 nights 5 days
<a href="https://canberraexcursions.org.au">https://canberraexcursions.org.au</a>				