The senior students (yrs 4/5/6) will be travelling to Mt Tamborine QLD for their senior excursion on 21st, 22nd & 23rd October. Students will be participating in team building games, high ropes, laser squirmish, kayaking, "Bounce" trampolining & much more.... The senior students will no doubt have some exciting tales to tell on their return!

Wednesday 9th September is the closing date for families to make their $100 (minimum) deposit so we are able to confirm numbers to the bus company, the accommodation and the camp activities co-ordinators. Final student numbers will be booked immediately after this due date. If parents are unable to make a deposit and complete the required forms by the above date, they will need to contact the school to organise an extension to secure their child's attendance. Please be prompt - if we do not have your deposit and permission notes by the above date we will not be booking a place for your child. The school is required to make a non-refundable payment to the companies involved so we will only be making payment for those who are definitely attending. Payment / permission after this date will attract an administration surcharge of an addition $50 which will be passed on the family/ies involved.

**Due Dates** / Timeline

- February 25th - Newsletter ‘early chocolate orders’ expression of interest
- March 17th - Early Bird Chocolate orders due
- June 23rd - Round 2 of the fundraising chocolate orders due. All monies for Round 1 chocolates due in.
- Aug 19th - Excursion venue and cost announced.
- Aug 19th - Permission and medical forms distributed and the deadline for $100 (minimum) deposit announced (due by 9th Sept).
- Sept 9th - $150 (minimum) deposit due. The deposit secures your child’s place in the excursion. Please note that due to financial commitments that are made by the school on behalf of the students, $75 of this deposit and is non-refundable in the event of the student’s non-attendance on the excursion.
- Sept 9th - Permission due, for your child to attend the excursion. Please note that payments to QCCC Mt Tamborine Lodge will be made by the school at this time and will only be made for those students with all documentation and deposits in. If you require additional time you must contact the school prior to this date to make arrangements as we will be unable to adjust our student numbers after this time without parents incurring an additional $50 administration fee.
  - Permission ‘Excursion Consent Form Section A’
  - Permission ‘Excursion Note Section B’
  - Medical Information note
  - Deed of Indemnity
  - Adventure Parc / Laser Skirmish - Permissions
- Oct 7th - Balance of the excursion due, Week 1 Term 4. - All permission notes (medical etc) are due when final payment is made.
- Oct 14th - This requires no action by you but you need to be aware that students withdrawing from the excursion after this date cannot be refunded any of their payment.
Wednesday 21st to Friday 23rd October 2015

As part of the Year 4, 5 & 6 leadership and team building program, the school has chosen Mt Tamborine for the senior major excursion this year. This retreat offers a unique set of experiences that will test the children's teamwork, trust and self-belief. Students' will be challenged in a fun and supportive environment.

Adults Attending:
Ms Bonita Avery (Principal/teacher), Mrs Annie Roberts

Transport:
The group will be travelling by Simes Bro's, (backpack containing jumper, drink bottle & towel, for kayaking, will be carried onto the bus on Day 1.)

Strictly no food or drinks to be consumed on the bus. Students may bring along 1 x packet of sweets to share with their friends whilst on this excursion.

Cost & Payment Methods:
The total cost is this excursion is $360.00 per child. The cost of the excursion may be paid off in instalments.

Valuables & Spending Money:
Students will be responsible for, & need to carry their own valuables & spending money. We strongly suggest that valuables are not taken on this excursion (however, if students choose to bring along iPods & cameras, they will need to be responsible for them). If students wish to take a camera, disposable cameras are recommended.

Please limit student's spending money to $20.00. Students are responsible for taking care of their own spending money. Unfortunately, monies raised from the sale of chocolates must be used for excursion payments and are not able to be used for personal spending money. Please note that there will be very few opportunities for souvenir shopping.

Medications:
Please complete & return the attached Medical Information Form along with a Deed of Indemnity Form, authorising staff to administer medication where necessary (this includes things such as Panadol, puffers/inhalers, cough mixture etc, which need to be supplied by the parent). Please clearly label medications with your child's name including CLEAR instructions for dosage, administering times & reason for medication.

Emergency Contacts:
The following emergency contacts are to be used strictly for EMERGENCIES ONLY!
Ms Avery 0448 879 532

Permission Notes / Medical Forms:
Excursion Consent Form Section A, Excursion Note Section A & B, Medical Information Note, Skirmish & Tree Tops Challenge Consent Notes are to be returned to the school by no later than Wednesday 9th Sept. Deed of Indemnity forms are required by Oct 7th.
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DAY 1 - Wednesday 21st October

6:00am : Bus to arrive & students to assembly at school

6:30am : Depart school (NOTE - we will be departing promptly and will be unable to wait for late students)

8:30am : Kayaking at John Signanto Park, Upper Coomera

11.00 : Arrive at QCCC Tamborine Lodge
        : Organise rooms and prepare for activities

11.30 : Archery

12:30pm : Lunch at QCCC Tamborine Lodge
         : Orienteering

Evening activity: Bush Skills

DAY 2 - Thursday 22nd October

7:30am : Breakfast at QCCC Tamborine Lodge

8:30am : Adventure Parc – Tree Tops / High Ropes Course

12:30pm : Lunch (packed by QCCC Tamborine Lodge)

2:00pm : Adventure Parc – Laser Skirmish

         : Possible free time
         : Night Activities

DAY 3 - Friday 23rd October

7:30am : Breakfast at QCCC Tamborine Lodge

8:30am : Inflatable Obstacle Course

12.00am : ‘Bounce’ indoor trampolining at Robina

1.15pm : Lunch (packed by QCCC Tamborine Lodge)

Approx. 4:00: Arrive at Empire Vale P.S.
**Children will need to bring the following:**

**TOILETRIES**
- Towel
- Sunscreen
- Toothbrush & toothpaste
- Hairbrush or comb
- Shampoo & deodorant
- Plastic bag / laundry bag

**CLOTHING:**
- Pyjamas
- 3 sets of cool comfortable clothing - NOTE: no inappropriate slogans on clothing and no singlet style shirts. Shorts will also need to be long enough to protect the students from the harnesses used in several of the activities.
- Jumper & track pants
- Raincoat or water proof jacket
- Hat
- Appropriate covered footwear i.e. comfortable walking shoes/joggers. NOTE: These need to be closed-in shoes appropriate for bush walking and high ropes course etc.
- 'Water' shoes appropriate for kayaking (old joggers or aquatic shoes)

**OTHER ITEMS:**
- Water bottle
- Small backpack - school backpack supplied is to be used please
- Camera (optional)
- Spending money (optional). Please note that the opportunity to shop will be extremely limited.
- *** Medication if necessary - MUST have a signed indemnity form. Medication and form MUST be received at the school by Wednesday 7th October i.e. PLEASE don’t try to give it to us on the morning of the excursion as we will be focusing on a million other things!!

**PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:** Please ensure that all major items of clothing, luggage & equipment are clearly labelled with your child’s name to avoid confusion, thank you.