



WAIMEA COLLEGE

Year 9 Camp Information for 2020

July 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers

9N, 9U, 9I - ROTOITI OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMP

As previously indicated 9N, 9U and 9I are going on camp from Monday 7 to Friday 11 September 2020. This is week 8 of Term 3. This notice should outline the information that you need to know and should be kept for your own reference after reading it and returning the forms.

Students not going on camp will be expected to attend school that week and will be placed in an alternative class.

Departure time

Students need to be in the bus bay at 8.30am on Monday 7 September. There are not alternative places to meet along the route to camp.

Return Time

We would expect to be back in the bus bay at 2.20pm on Friday 11 September. Students will be released at this time.

There is a place on the permission slip to indicate if you would like your student dropped off during the trip home. These options are:

- Wakefield Village Green (1.40pm approx.)
- Brightwater 4 Square (1.50pm approx.)
- Hope Store (2.00pm approx.)

Camp Fees

The cost of the camp is \$290.00 which does not include the cost of an optional rafting trip during the week nor does it include the cost of gear hire. Both of which are outlined later in this letter.

A breakdown of the cost of camp is provided below;

Food	\$50
Transport	\$20
Rotoiti Lodge	\$220 (specialist instructors, accommodation)

This amount must be **paid in full** prior to Monday 24 August. If this is not possible then contact the Finance Centre as soon as possible to discuss an alternative agreement. No late forms or payments will be accepted unless by prior agreement.

Please do not send any additional money to camp with your child.

Gear and Equipment

A gear list is attached on the next page. We would encourage you not to go out and buy items on this list. It would be better to borrow from friends or to make use of the gear-hiring facility at the Lodge.

All items on the gear list with a star can be hired at the lodge. The maximum payable for hiring gear is \$10. You will be billed for this following the camp. Please do not send this money to camp with the student. Please note that students are responsible for gear that is hired and will be charged full replacement costs if an item is lost.

Please note that Lodge and school staff will make the final decision on whether an item of clothing or equipment taken by a student is safe and appropriate for the conditions, which are a lot colder than Richmond, and that gear hire may be enforced where items taken are not considered to be safe.

Programme

Students will be organised into mixed groups of a maximum of 11. The groups will do a rotation of activities throughout the week. We encourage group participation and positive social interactions. Students are “challenged by choice” to do some activities.

Obviously, some activities are weather dependent and alternatives may need to be organised. Probable activities include team building and initiatives, rafting, high ropes, low-ropes course, canoeing, tramping and an overnight camp. All students are expected to willingly help their group complete duties like preparing food, cooking meals, dishes, cleaning and tidying away gear.

As well as the above activities students will need to select to do one of the three options below. Please tick the box for the option your student wishes to take and return the form and payment as soon as possible. All attempts will be made to ensure students get their preferred option, but it is likely that positions on the 2-day expedition will be limited.

Option 1 - White Water Rafting (additional cost-\$100)

This exciting and highly recommended rafting trip is provided by an external contractor called Ultimate Descents NZ. These trained professionals take every care to ensure that the trip is as safe as possible, but students are required to sign an Acknowledgement of Risk form that the contractor provides. Students will be guided on a half-day trip down part of the beautiful and challenging Buller River.

Option 2 - 2 Day Tramping Expedition (no additional cost)

Students will head out with their group leader into the Nelson Lakes National Park for 2 nights. These expeditions could include a combination of tramping, canoeing and staying at different campsites within the National Park. Note: A good level of walking fitness is recommended.

Option 3 - Abseiling Term 3 (no additional cost)

This will be a day based, close to the lodge and its immediate surroundings.

Contacting your student during the week

Cellphones, tablets and IPOD/MP3 players **are forbidden** from being taken to camp. These items cause a lot of trouble in this environment and we would ask you to help us avoid this. Should you wish to contact your child **in an emergency** then please ring the number below and a staff member will arrange for this to happen.

Rotoiti Lodge **Emergency** Contact Number (03) 521 1043.

Permission Forms

Please read the permission parts of this form with your child so you are both aware of its contents as both of you are required to sign it. Full and detailed information about food allergies and medical issues are extremely important in helping us keep your child safe on the camp.

Please return the Permission Form and \$290 camp fee to the Finance Centre by Monday 24 August.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact either of us at the College 544 6099, Ian ext 829 and Wendy ext 916.

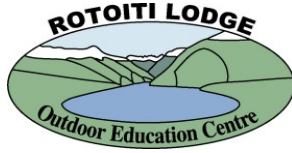
Yours sincerely

Ian McLeod and Wendy Ford
Rotoiti Lodge Liaison Teacher

GEAR LIST FOR ROTOITI OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMPS

Essential and hireable Gear		Essential non-hireable gear	Optional Gear
*Tramping Pack	\$2	Underwear for 5 days	Pillow
*Pack Liner or large rubbish bag	\$0.50	Shorts	Sun glasses and sunscreen
*Sleeping Bag	\$2	Clothes for around the lodge	Camera (not attached to a phone or ipod)
*4 pairs wool or thermal socks	\$0.50 each	Small torch	Museli bars, sweets or chocolate
*3 pairs long johns	\$1 each	Drink bottle (1.5l minimum)	Slippers (no shoes inside)
*Bed Roll or sleeping mat	\$0.50	Day pack	Cards
*Wool or fleece hat	\$0.50	Pen or pencil	Spare shoes
*Wool or fleece gloves	\$0.50	Lunch for Monday	Table tennis ball (if wanting to play in down time)
*Raincoat (waterproof and mid-thigh)	\$2	Togs and towel	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <p>Cellphones, Mp3/ipods, tablets or radios are NOT allowed.</p> </div>
*Over-trousers (wind proof)	\$2	Unbreakable cup, plate and cutlery	
*3 polypropylene long sleeve tops	\$1 each	Toiletries	
*2 woollen or fleece jerseys	\$1 Each	Medication	
*Tramping boots			
Good running shoes (not canvas shoes) preferred if students have their own	\$2	Sun hat	

The maximum hire cost for the above gear is \$10. Students will not be charged any more than that. Students will be responsible for paying the replacement cost of lost gear that they hire.



Student Medical Permission Form

Parent/guardian information

I give permission for(name) to attend RLOEC
 from until(dates).

- I agree that she/he should take part in such activities and such duties as may be required by staff.
- I authorise any medical assistance that maybe needed, if in the opinion of the staff such treatment is necessary, and I agree to meet any costs associated with this.
- I accept that the RLOEC will not accept responsibility for loss or damage of personal property (check own household policy).
- I give permission to use images that may be taken on camp for promoting RLOEC to other schools and the wider community.
- To the best of my knowledge she/he has no *medical, emotional or physical* disability likely to prove detrimental to her/him or others on the camp.
- Should she/he become sick on camp, I will come to the Lodge to collect them and that if I refuse to collect them, they will be transported back home at my expense.
- Should she/he be involved in a serious disciplinary problem, I accept that she/he may be sent home and that I will come to the Lodge to collect them and that if I refuse to collect them, they will be transported back home at my expense.

CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL REPORT

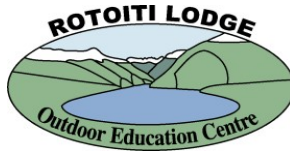
Name:..... **Form class**

Medical Issue	Cause	Symptoms	Treatment	Specific Medication
Example: asthma	cold weather & physical exertion	wheezy, difficulty breathing	rest, use inhalers	Becotide preventative, Ventodisk 200 mcg

Anything else that may affect them during the camp (detail)

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Please tick if your child suffers from any of the following:

Bed wetting Seizures of any kind Heart condition
Dizzy spells Sleep walking Asthma
Migraine Travel sickness Other (specify)

Allergies to: Penicillin Food Drugs Wasps/bees None

Last Tetanus injection (date)

Does your child have special dietary requirements (detail)
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Swimming ability: (please circle) Poor (not confident in water - unable to swim 25m)
Ok (confident in the water - able to swim 50m)
Good (confident in deep water - able to swim 100m)
Excellent (confident in deep water - able to swim 200m)

Risk Disclosure:

Parents/guardians should be aware that activities undertaken at RLOEC are of an adventurous nature and the possibility of injury or harm should not be ignored.

These activities may include Canoeing on Lake Rotoiti, High and Low Ropes activities, Abseiling, Mountain Biking, Overnight and Day Tramping Trips, Team Building Activities (Group Initiatives).

These activities are not without risk and although all appropriate safety measures are taken, including the use of correct safety equipment and staff who have received the appropriate training, there is still a chance that they could result in harm to participants.

RLOEC complies with all New Zealand legislation, is externally audited, and holds an Adventure Activity Safety Audit Certification from OutdoorsMark NZ.

Contact Details:

Name: Day: Night.....

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Doctor: Phone number:

Address.....

Signature of student:.....

Signature of parent/guardian:..... Date.....

ACTIVITY OPTION

Please tick **the ONE option** you would like to do and return your medical and permission forms along with payment as soon as possible to ensure you get your preferred choice.

Tick ONE only

1	White Water Rafting (additional cost \$100)	
2	2 Day Tramping Expedition (no additional cost, but a good level of walking fitness will be necessary)	
3	Abseiling , (no additional cost)	

PAYMENT METHOD

Please tick one of the following

	Payment is attached
	Please use my automatic payments made to the school
	Payment has been made using internet banking
	I have contacted the Finance Centre to make arrangements

CAMP TRANSPORT

On the Friday, at the end of camp, I would like my child to be dropped off at (please tick only 1)

	Wakefield Village Green	
	Brightwater 4 Square	
	Hope Store	
	Waimea College	

Account Name: **Waimea College Board of Trustees**

Account Number: **03 1354 0451719 01**

Please **ensure your student's name is clearly shown** on the details to appear on our bank statement

Please make sure you have filled in the following and returned to Waimea College

- Rotoiti Lodge Student Medical Permission Form
- Activity Option
- Payment Method
- Camp Transport
- Signed Waimea College Risk Disclosure

Waimea College Risk Disclosure

Parents/Guardian giving permission for _____ (Students Name) to be transported (to/from Camp) and/or to activity options (listed above), not run under Rotoiti Lodge. This also includes night activities ie lodged based games, walking to the eels (swim option in the summer) run by Waimea College staff.

Date: _____

Parents/Guardian name and signature