



16th February 2024

**Maungakawa Overnight Leadership Experience for
Hautapu School's House Leaders and Year 8 Student Leaders**

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

We have planned to take our Hautapu House Leaders and Year 8 Student Leaders on an overnight camp experience in the Maungakawa hill range above Cambridge. The location for the camp is a private farm property at 400 French Pass Road, Cambridge. This event has been approved by Hautapu School Board of Trustees in alignment with the EOTC Policy and Procedures.



The purpose of the camp will be to explore the flora and fauna of the farmsite set among the Maungakawa Ranges. Students will engage in an overnight outdoor experience that offers the chance to learn about the environment and gain some insights into the history of the area. Students will mainly be involved in camp making, orienteering and tramping whilst at the site. We see this as an opportunity for our student leaders to showcase our values of Challenge, Courage, Explore, Community and Growth.

The camp will depart Hautapu School at 8.45am on Monday 4th March and return on Tuesday 5th March by 2pm. The student leaders will be accompanied by their classroom teacher, Cheryl Murphy, either myself or their other classroom teacher, Annalise Catchpole and BOT member, Frank Spence. We will organise the transport to and from the location. The campsite has access to fresh drinking water and a long drop toilet. Students may bring a small tent to sleep in by themselves otherwise we will provide fly covers to sleep under in groups. Students will bring their own morning tea and lunch on the first day with all other meals provided.



Kind regards
Tracey Bennett



We will make a call and contact all participants 24 hours prior to the camp to postpone the event if the weather is looking unsuitable for camping outdoors.



Below is a gear list, all gear must be packed into a backpack/medium tramping pack for students to carry into the camp site:

- Appropriate boots or sturdy sandals with good tread
- 2 pairs of socks
- 2 pairs of shorts or light leggings
- 2 T-shirts/poly prop tops
- Polar fleece , hoodie or woollen jersey(for night)
- Warm pants/trackpants (for night)
- Warm pyjamas
- Woollen hat
- Sun hat
- Raincoat
- Torch or Headlamp
- Water bottle
- Lunch and snacks
- Sleeping bag
- Towel and facecloth
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Plastic cup, plate and bowl, knife, fork, spoon
- Insect repellent
- Small inflatable mattress or bed roll
- Tent (Optional)



PERMISSION FORM: Please return to school by: Wednesday 28th February

Child's name _____ (first and last name please)

Please tick	
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	I give permission for my child to attend the <u>Maungakawa Overnight Camp</u> and participate in the activities described.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	I give permission for my child to travel in a vehicle driven by another adult.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	My child has a medical or health condition/concern that we need to be aware of. If yes , please specify:
Parent Name:	
Parent Signature:	