Dear Parents/Guardians

An essential item for all students participating in the Year Nine Endeavour Camp and the Year Eleven Leadership Course is a waterproof jacket. The following is an extract from the Camp Equipment list, which should be used as a guide when selecting a jacket:

**WATERPROOF JACKET**

This is an **essential item of great importance**, since you will be outdoors for the whole course. An effective waterproof jacket will provide protection from cold, wet and wind.

- **It must:**
  - have an effective hood that protects the head and face from rain and wind
  - be **ABSOLUTELY** waterproof
  - reach at least halfway down your thighs

Some garments are unsuitable and should **not be** brought:
- ski parkas or quilted jackets (they are bulky and **NOT** waterproof)
- ‘shower-proof’ spray jackets
- lined jackets - e.g. cotton or flannel lined jackets are unsuitable

A simple test to check if waterproof is to try and suck air through the jacket material. Generally, if air can get through, so can water. However, there are some exceptions. ‘Japara’ and ‘Gortex’ are two types of material that allow water vapour, but not liquid, to pass through; allowing them to ‘breathe’. These jackets are often expensive.

In previous years, some families opted to hire a suitable waterproof jacket for the duration of the camp. This option is to be offered again in 2016. The cost of the hire of a quality Gortex jacket will be $45 for either the Year Nine or Year Eleven Camps (or discounted $80 for both if you have a child in both Year 9 and 11 levels at the same time). To hire a jacket, students need to return the form below with payment to College Reception by the **end of Term 1**. As there are only a limited number of jackets, sizes will be allocated on a first come basis. Sample jackets will be available at Reception for sizing reference, or students can, consult with Mr Atkins if they are unsure of their size. Jackets are issued to students the day they depart for camp.

Yours sincerely

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**Waterproof Jacket Hire – Endeavour Camp or Year Eleven Leadership Course**

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