



ST PHILIP'S COLLEGE

YEAR 12 RETREAT AT TILMOUTH WELL 2019

Term 1, Week 10

ACTION REQUIRED: Medical information updated on *Community Portal* and consent for attendance given by Monday, 18 February 2019

Dear Parents and Year 12 students

A Year 12 Retreat has been planned to occur in Term 1 of the school year from Monday, 1 April through to Wednesday, 3 April (Week 10). The aim of the retreat is to provide a pleasant and constructive time for staff and students to get to know each other better, with some serious thought development on time management, study strategies, and students' goals and aspirations for their final schooling year. The Year 12 Retreat will also focus on the student's leadership roles within the College. Heads of Houses, Year 12 teachers, and senior staff will staff the retreat, with other staff from St Philip's likely to visit during the course.

Please note that Friday, 5 April is the last day of Term 1 and will be Inter-House Cross Country and Quiz Day. All Year 12 students are expected to attend this day.

PARTICIPATION

All Year 12 students are expected to attend the Retreat. To achieve this, three precious school days have been set aside and we urge all students to use this time to their best advantage. Normal school rules will apply, particularly around SunSmart behaviours. There will be a 'Talent Quest' on the final night so please start to get your acts together in readiness as all will be involved.

ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT

The program will be held at Tilmouth Well – 185 kilometres north-west of Alice Springs. **Please arrive at school by 9.30am.** The buses will depart school grounds at 10:30am on the Monday. Students must travel on the College bus with the group as permission to drive independently will not be granted. The bus will return students to school at approximately 2:55pm on Wednesday. **Students are to be picked up at the front of school, not at the roundabout as this is a very busy time for school buses.**

EQUIPMENT LIST

- Bedding or Swag (as per instructions at briefing)
- 2x 1L water bottles and filled with water (these can be refilled out there, but there is only bore water for drinking)
- Pen and writing materials (very important)
- Torch and spare batteries
- Clothing (suitable for SunSmart practice - **no singlets**)
- Swimmers (suitable for SunSmart practice)
- Toiletries
- Footwear suitable for activities (sneakers or other closed-toe shoes, **not thongs**)
- Cold packed lunch for the first day (Monday, 1 April)
- Broad brimmed hat, sunscreen, and insect repellent

Please ensure all medical information is updated and consent is given on *MySPC* by Monday, 18 February. If you have any questions or concerns about the retreat, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College.

Yours sincerely

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