Monday, May 26, 2014.

Dear Parents,

Year 3/4 students have the opportunity to attend a fantastic adventure camp in Rowsley Valley (near Bacchus Marsh) this year. Lady Northcote Recreation Camp is situated in rural farmland on the fringe of the Brisbane Ranges National Park, which is home to the state’s richest wildflower habitat, magpies, kookaburras and an abundant population of koalas. It is an adventure based camp delivering an onsite activity program including: Low ropes, Giant Swing, Flying Fox, Archery, Canoeing, Hut Building, Orienteering and more! Camps are an excellent opportunity for students to develop independence and social skills and to learn in a different setting that offers a variety of unique experiences. Lady Northcote Recreation Camp will compliment many of our academic and social programs such as ‘You Can Do It’, Health and Physical Education, Science and SOSE. All activities are conducted according to the Education Department’s ‘Safety in the Outdoors Guidelines’ and students will be fully briefed on safety matters and appropriate use of any equipment being used.

Details are as follows:

**Dates:**
Children will leave school at approx. 9.00am on Monday, July 28, 2014 and will return to school at approximately 3.30pm on Wednesday, July 30, 2014. (This is a 3 day / 2 night camp)

**Accommodation**
Students will sleep in rooms within lodges. Each room accommodates groups of 4-5 students. Students will need to bring their own sleeping bag, pillow and towels. Shortly before attending the camp, students will be involved in a process to decide on groups for the cabin.

**Program**
During the day students will have the opportunity to participate in a broad range of experiences, as mentioned above, and on one of the evenings we will have the traditional ‘Red Faces’ type entertainment. (Students are encouraged to have a bit of fun and organise a short performance with a group of friends; minimal costuming is required).

**Travel:**
Buses with seatbelts (Rockleigh Tours)

**Cost:**
$210.00 (all inclusive). Payment can be made in full or by instalments. (Your child cannot attend camp unless total payment has been received, unless a payment plan has been arranged).

A **$50 deposit is required by Friday June 6** to confirm attendance. All payments must be completed by **Tuesday July 15, 2014**.

**Parental assistance**
Some parents will be needed to assist with the camp. Please think carefully before volunteering and keep in mind that your assistance is needed for all children and that you may not always be in the group in which your child is a member. Remember all children need the opportunity to develop independence and look after themselves and their belongings, so your role will be to support and assist all students.
Permission note and payment
To reserve a place for your child it is necessary for you to complete the attached form and return it to school with your deposit by Friday June 6. **Full payment of $210.00 is due and payable by Tuesday July 15, 2014.** Our Office should be contacted if you wish to pay in instalments or organise Direct Debit.

Medical form, clothing list, program details and Code of Conduct form will be sent out closer to the Camp date.

Kathryn Pollock
Year 3/4 Team Leader

Phil Clinkaberry
Principal

YEAR 3/4 CAMP 2 2014 PERMISSION FORM
(Please complete and return to school with $50 deposit by Friday June 6)

I give permission for my child ______________________ from room_______ to attend Lady Northcote Recreation Camp from July 28 to July 30, 2014. In the event of accident or illness, I authorise the teacher in charge, where it is impracticable to communicate with me, to seek such medical or surgical treatment for my child as may be deemed necessary.

Parent signature:__________________________

Emergency telephone contact __________________________

I enclose part-payment / I enclose full payment / I will contact the office regarding payment

YEAR 3/4 CAMP 2 2014 – PARENT HELPERS FORM

Name of Parent:_______________________________Contact number:______________________________

☐ I am able to assist with Camp

☐ I have a current Working with Children Check

Signed:____________________________________