



LEADERSHIP TRAINING CAMP

Wednesday & Thursday 11/12 Mar 2015 ~ Rai Valley Area School (Library)

2 March 2015

Kia ora tatou
Nga mihi nui

Parents/Caregivers

The Year 7 and 8 students from the five Kura te Hoiere are booked to attend an overnight Leadership Training Camp which cluster principals have been working to achieve since the latter part of 2013. Other Marlborough schools since 2013 or already in 2015 have had their seniors participating in similar programmes.

The purpose clearly is to develop leadership skills but more so to also broaden some of the understandings and responses to the issues that are coming during the next few years. Much is already expected of our seniors as Taura, leaders and role models and we want to facilitate some quality training for them.

The Leadership Camp is presented by the Marlborough Community Development Trust. The MCD Trust is active in the Blenheim and Marlborough communities and has been involved with a broad range of community initiatives. The Trust has run similar camps in Marlborough over the last three years. The programme was birthed in Christchurch eight years ago and many schools there attend these camps and continue to do so on, an ongoing basis.

The camp programme is derived from the book "Seven Habits of Highly Successful Teens" written by Sean Covey. The content of the book has been adapted to a camp format spread over two days. The presenter, Ross Banbury has run many of these camps and last week he visited each of the Cluster Schools, meeting the students and giving them a reading timetable to be followed over the next two weeks. Ross has been a long time youth worker in Blenheim, Nelson and Christchurch.

The concept is largely about personal development and helping the students to learn some skills on how to live life better within themselves and at school, home, within a sports team and any work situation within which they might find themselves. It is a fun interactive time that focuses on learning the 7 Habits and filling in the personal folder each student receives on camp. Adventure Based Learning (ABL) is used to bring variation to the time together and to provide positive learning opportunities. We also spend time looking at how we are individually 'wired' in terms of our temperaments. The daily programme is quite full-on and the first day is long and very interesting, so it would be great for everyone to have an early night before the camp starts. Each student has a copy of the book and has been asked to undertake a **reading programme** over 10 days. It would be great if you were able to read these short daily readings with your child so that there is learning together. I'm sure you will find the book captivating.

The cluster is excited to be able to provide its students with an on-going student leadership programme for the year, with 'camp' as the first real step in their training. Among others, Matua B and/or Mr Throssell will be staying overnight.

Venue and Details

The camp is being held at Rai Valley Area School, starting at 9:00 am on Wednesday 11 March, concluding at 2:00 pm Thursday 12 March. Everyone will be staying overnight at the school. Students are asked to bring a cut lunch for the first day, along with something for a pot luck dinner, plus some baking to be shared. The breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Health Details

As with any camp, schools will need to be aware of any/all relevant health issues for your child. Could you please complete the attached medical form and have your child return it to Matua B. As this overnight excursion is located at a school the usual overnight form does not have to be completed but we would like you to sign the small slip below letting us know you are happy for your child to participate in this venture.

What to Bring

Each student will be sleeping on the floor in the library or a classroom, so a mattress/lilo/roll up and a warm sleeping bag will be needed. They will also need to bring toilet gear, a torch, a change of clothes suitable for cold and hot days, outdoor running shoes, cutlery/crockery, writing gear, and the 7 Habits book from which they will have done their reading. Please **do not bring electronic devices**, cell phones, thank you.

Video Recording

We video parts of the camp programme, including the presentations the students do at the conclusion of camp. This is edited by one of our staff and each child will receive a copy of the DVD when Ross visits each school early in the second term.

Cost

The MCD Trust is charging \$35.00 per student. Havelock School has through Pub Charity had all costs covered including the books etc so this camp will cost you nothing.

Final Thoughts

We want the Year 7 and 8 students to come prepared to have a brilliant time! The two days of Leadership Camp will challenge, stretch and grow them as leaders, and we're excited about the programme's potential to develop your child's skills. Keep dipping into the '7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens' book over the next few days, and remember – *"We first make our habits, then our habits make us."*

If as a parent you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school directly for any clarification. You may also wish to contact me, so please do so on ross@mcdtrust.org.nz or phone me 03 578 0407.

Thank you

Ross Barbury

Marlborough Community Development Trust

Matua B & Mr Throssell

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I give permission for _____ to attend the MCD Trust Leadership Camp at Rai Valley Area School on 11/12 March 2015.

Signed: _____
Parent/Caregiver

Date: _____



HEALTH PROFILE

~ EOTC G16* EVENTS ONLY ~

This profile is designed to assist in the care of all participants at EOTC events, including adults. One form must be completed for EACH participant.

Name:	Medic Alert No: (If applicable)
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PLEASE TICK IF YOU/R CHILD HAS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING			
Migraine:	Epilepsy:	Asthma:	Diabetes:
Travel Sickness:	Fits of any type:	Chronic nose bleeds:	Heart condition:
Dizzy spells:	Colour blindness:	Hay fever/sinus:	ADHD:
Other: (specify)			(Please
For overnight events...			
Sleepwalking:		Bedwetting:	

MEDICAL			
Are you/r child currently taking medication?		Yes	No
If YES, please state:	Ailment/s		
	Name of medication/s		
	Dosage and time/s to be taken		
	Other treatment		
If your child or you have had any major injuries (breaks or strains) or illness (glandular fever etc) in the last six months that may limit full participation in any activities, please state the injury/illness.			
Injury/Illness:			
Are you/r child allergic to any of the following?		Yes	No
Prescription medication			Please specify
Food			
Insect bites/stings			
Other allergies			
What treatment is required?			
When was you/r child's last tetanus injection?			
What pain/flu medication may you/r child be given if necessary?			

To the best of your knowledge, have you/r child been in contact with any contagious or infectious disease/s in the last four weeks?	Yes	No
If YES, please give brief details.		

Outline any dietary requirements.

If there is there any information the staff should know to ensure the physical and emotional safety of you/r child, please state or attach the information. (eg cultural and/or religious practices; disability; anxiety about heights/darkness/small spaces; pregnancy; behaviour or emotional problems)

AGREEMENT	
(✓)	I agree that if prescribed medication needs to be administered, a designated adult will be assigned to do this. I will ensure that prescribed medication is clearly labelled, securely fastened and handed to the designated adult with instructions on its administration.
	I will inform the school as soon as possible of any changes in the medical or other circumstances between now and the commencement of the event.
	I agree to my child/myself receiving any emergency medical, dental, or surgical treatment, including anaesthetic or blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.
	Any medical costs not covered by ACC or a community service card will be paid by me.
	If my child or I am involved in a serious disciplinary problem, including the use of illegal substances and/or alcohol, or actions that threaten the safety of others, s/he/I will be sent home at my expense.

To be read and signed by adult participant or parent/caregiver of child participant.

Signed:	Date:
Print Name:	

This form or a copy must be taken on the event. A copy should be retained by the school.

* G16 ~ any overnight excursion or single activity deemed by the principal/TiC EOTC to be beyond the normal safety parameters of the school environment, be it within a camp or single day timeframe, ie skiing or open-water activity;