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Sydney

Summer Camps – 2027

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are very excited that Summer Camps, 2027, is just around the corner!

This letter has been written to give you the important information you will need for Summer Camps.

Theme

This year's theme is – "**The Incredible Race**". During our worship times, they'll discover that, no matter where we live, or what language we speak, we are all a part of the same race-the human race-and in need of the same Saviour, Jesus Christ, and we can't wait for the campers to be a part of it!

Location

Our Summer Camps will take place at Crossland's Youth and Convention Centre, located at – 100 Crosslands Rd Galston.

Dates & Times

JETs Summer Camps (grade 4-7) – 12th - 17th January, 2027

Teen Summer Camps (grade 8-12) – 19th - 24th January, 2027

Travel

All participants must be dropped to Crosslands Youth and Convention Centre. There will be no buses doing runs from the schools this year.

Teens Drop off

- Tuesday, January 19th - 2027
- Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Teens Pick up

- Sunday, January 24th – 2027
- Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm



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Jets Drop off

- Tuesday, January 12th – 2027
- Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Jets pick up

- Sunday, January 19th – 2027
- Between 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

***Please drive carefully when entering Crosslands from Galston. The road is narrow all the way in and there have been collisions on this road before.**

Accommodation

All campers sleep in cabins with approximately 4 other children and with two cabin counsellors. Cabin counsellors are our staff and are all screened before coming on as staff, have working with children checks – if over 18, and have been trained in, and adhere to, our Adsafe policies.

Food & Water

The camp fee includes all catering. We encourage participants to bring a water bottle.

Activities

The activities on offer this year include:

- Archery
- Archery Attack / Nerf Wars
- Canoeing
- Craft
- Flying Fox
- High Ropes
- Fishing
- Master Chef
- MTB
- Steps (Zumba)
- Water Ski

*Juniors and Teens will both get a Super Water Ski Day.

* Some activities won't run every day due to low numbers choosing that activity. We will do our best to give the campers their preferences.



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What to Bring

- Water Bottle
- Bible and Pen
- Everyday Clothing (must cover shoulders, stomach, and modest shorts).
- Old Clothes & Covered Shoes for Activities
- Banquet outfit
- Sunscreen
- A hat & Sunscreen
- Closed-in shoes
- Swimmers – Rashie Shirt and Board Shorts must be worn (No Bikinis)
- A spare change of clothes
- A warm jacket
- Pillow, Sheet, Sleeping Bag
- A towel
- A bag to keep gear in
- Toiletries
- Smart Casual clothes for Saturday
- A spare shirt if you'd like to press a Summer Camp sticker on it

Banned Items

- Mobile Phones
- Skateboards
- Scooters
- Electronic Devices
- Bluetooth speakers
- High Energy Drinks (V, Red Bull, etc)
- Drugs
- Alcohol
- Tobacco
- Vaporizer

Please do not allow any of the above items to be brought to the event. If electronic items including mobile phones are brought, and loss/damage occurs, the organisers and their entities will NOT be held responsible for this.

*Anyone who brings a mobile phone to camp, will be asked to hand it into the camp Director. It will then be stored in a safe until the end of the camp. This rule has been put in place to help maintain a unique, focused, and spiritual environment during the camp.



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You may reach your child or a Staff member at - 61 2 9653 1041. Please note, however, that the phone will not be manned all day and your child will not always be available as much of the day is spent out on activities and the like. Your child may also call you on this phone for a small fee - a gold coin.

For urgent matters, you may reach Dejan Stojkovic - Camp Director at 0494 074 439 or at dejanstojkovic@adventist.org.au. Please note that reception is poor at Crossland's, but Dejan's phone (and email) will be monitored at intervals throughout the day.

Banquet

Alongside our camp theme, this year's banquet will carry the thrilling theme of **"Culture Night"**! Get ready for an evening filled with colour, creativity, music, food, and the rich diversity of cultures represented across our camp. It's a chance to celebrate where we come from, learn from one another, and enjoy a night of unforgettable fun together. Come dressed to represent your culture and get ready to experience a celebration like no other!

General Safety

All our activities are run by skilled staff and a thorough risk management process is implemented before and during the activities.

To ensure a COVID-safe event we ask that anyone with COVID-19 or symptoms of COVID-19 do not attend. Symptoms include - fever or symptoms of respiratory infection (cough, sore throat, shortness of breath). To avoid an outbreak at the camp anyone who shows symptoms during the camp, will be tested by our Camp nurse, and sent home if positive. Refunds will be given accordingly (they will be based on time spent at the camp).

For water ski activities – all our water ski staff are trained, appropriately licensed, and operate in a professional and safe manner. It is a requirement that all staff and participants must wear a life jacket when in the water. We will also have assigned staff to monitor children who are in the water, whether on the shore or in the pools. In saying that, please let us know if your child cannot swim or is not a strong swimmer.

When on the waterside - shelters will be erected to keep our young people out of the sun. We will also have sunscreen available, but we still suggest they apply sunscreen before they arrive and wear appropriate sun-safe clothing.

Child Safety

It is a requirement that all of our Staff members are Adsafe trained and approved, in addition to having valid Working With Children Checks.



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In line with our AdSafe Child Safety policies, we ask that after parents have dropped off and signed in their children - that they leave the site. Please also only arrive at the allocated drop-off and pick-up times and no earlier.

We look forward to having the young people from around Greater Sydney with us at the Summer Camps – 2026!

Many Blessings,
Dejan Stojkovic, Moses Depaz and Jacinda Ralph
Youth Department Team - Greater Sydney Conference

