



YEAR 9 ASPIRE PROGRAMME – Term 4 Camp Information and End of Year Events

Dear Year 9 Parents and Guardians,

This letter is to provide you with some key information, dates and forms about the upcoming events of Term 4.

Albany STORM CO Camp

Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November

Students will need to arrive at school by 8:45am and meet in the gym for homeroom. The aim is to leave school by 9:15am. We will be targeting a 3pm arrival back on Friday afternoon so students will be able to catch normal buses home if needed.

Students have been asked to add a smart casual outfit to their packing list for a restaurant dinner one night and have been reminded of the need to pack warm clothes.

Umbrellas and rain jacket/ponchos would be handy as well given rain is forecast for our week in Albany.

Mobile phones need to be left at home or handed to a teacher during homeroom on Monday morning.

My Purpose Presentations

Monday 25th – Thursday 28th November

A significant component to the Aspire Programme that sees students reflect on the past year and think about their future. We encourage parents to attend to view their child's presentation.

Further information and booking requests on next pages.

Celebration Dinner / Cambodia Information Session

Date: Thursday 28th November

Students will celebrate the end of the Aspire Programme together in the Assembly Hall with a celebration dinner filled with delicious food & drinks, music, photobooths and awards. Parents are invited for the end of the celebrations after they first attend a Cambodia information session in room 5.

Further information on next pages.

Adventure World

Date: Monday 2nd December

This is the official last day for Year 9 students and we end with lots of fun at Adventure World.

Further information, permission forms and travel confirmation on next pages.

My Purpose Presentations

Monday 25th – Thursday 28th November

One of the most significant tasks for students this year is the Term 4 Major Assessment. Students will give an 8–10 minute presentation that will include a reflection of their experience / learning this year and a personal 'purpose statement' to guide them in the future.

We would like to invite you, and any other significant adults in your child's life, to attend your child's presentation. It will be a great opportunity to support your child as they share their reflections on this year and their dreams for the future.

We have created a range of timeslots for the student presentations to make it as convenient as possible for you to attend.

We do understand that you may be normally working or unavailable during school hours. But if you can 'arrive late to work' or have an 'extended lunch break' so you can attend, we're sure your child would appreciate it – even if they say they don't want parents to attend!!

To assist us with scheduling the presentations, can you please complete the form attached and **return it by Friday, 8th November**. (First requests in will be allocated first)

Your Name: _____ **Contact Phone:** _____

- No, I WON'T BE ABLE TO ATTEND ANY OF THE PRESENTATION TIME SLOTS.**
 Yes, I CAN ATTEND ANY OF THE TIMESLOTS THAT I'VE INDICATED BELOW.

Please write your child's name in **ALL** the **possible** slots that you could attend...

Once all forms have been submitted and a timetable has been organised, a copy will be sent out to all families with the specific times.

Mon 25th Nov	Tues 26th Nov	Wed 27th Nov	Thurs 28th Nov
9:15 – 10:45	9:15 – 10:45	9:15 – 10:45	9:15 – 10:45
Recess	Recess	Recess	
11:15 – 12:45	11:15 – 12:45	11:15 – 12:45	N/A
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:45 – 3:15	1:45 – 3:15	N/A	N/A

PLEASE RETURN THIS TO THE SCHOOL BY FRIDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER.

Celebration Dinner / Cambodia Information Session

Date: Thursday 28th November

We are looking forward to celebrating the students' efforts and achievements this year, with our **Celebration Dinner starting at 5pm on Thursday, 28th November.**

Towards the end of the term, students will begin designing, planning and decorating the Assembly Hall in preparation for this event.

Students should wear smart attire – like what they might wear to church or a wedding.

Students are to arrive at 5:00pm on the front lawn. This may mean that some students will need to bring their change of clothes to school as there won't be enough time to get home and back before the Celebration Dinner.

This is a student only dinner, but we invite parents to arrive in time for a **7:00pm Cambodia Information Session** in Room 5. Please make your way up the main steps where you will be shown where to go. The session will outline proposed dates, costs, trip plan, fundraising and projects. Please come prepared with any questions that you may want answered.

Following the end of this information session you will be invited into the Assembly Hall for the final parts of the celebrations. This year, parents have a homework task!

Task: Could you please come prepared to share what changes you have noticed in your child this year OR something they have done that has made you proud.

You will be prompted to share this with your child during their final check-in for the year. You will be handed a little gift during the Cambodia information session that we ask you to pass on to your child in this moment.

We would like you to keep your words and the gift a secret, so please don't share this with your child.

We plan to finish the Celebration around 8:30pm, where you are then welcome to stay for photos for a short time, mingle with other parents, students and staff, or have an early night.

If you have any further queries about the evening, please contact adam.dirosso@cac.wa.edu.au

Adventure World

Date: Monday 2nd December

As an end of year celebration for the class, we will be taking the students to Adventure World on **Monday, 2nd December**. Adventure World is open from 10am to 5pm.

Students will have a few options in getting to and from Adventure World as we want to maximise the time the students can spend there.

1. There will be a bus leaving school at 9:00am. Students that want to return on this bus will need to leave Adventure World at 2:30pm and will arrive back at school in time for normal pick up or bus services at 3:25pm
2. Students may catch public transport to and from Adventure World.
3. Students can organise their own private transport.

Supervision by staff will be provided at Adventure World from **10am to 2:30pm**. Students are welcome to stay longer with parent permission, however, we cannot guarantee a staff member can stay beyond 2:30pm.

Students are required to wear their Year 9 Aspire T-shirt in the morning, but may change out of it once we are in Adventure World.

Students should bring a packed lunch and water bottle or money to purchase these while at Adventure World. Students should also ensure they pack personal first aid items (eg. asthma puffer, EpiPen), towel and a change of clothes.

Please fill in the permission form and advise us what transport option best suits your family.

If you have questions about any of the Term 4 information above, please don't hesitate to make contact.

Your sincerely,

Year 9 Aspire Team

Year 9 Adventure World Consent Form

By attending Adventure World (2nd December), you are agreeing to follow the set of rights and responsibilities below.

Rights

- It's your right to be in a safe, welcoming, fun environment, where you make memories with your classmates and teachers that you'll remember for a long time.
- It's your right to enjoy the activities designed to support your growth academically, socially, emotionally, and physically.
- It's your right to participate in the solo challenge as it has been designed.

Responsibilities

For this to happen, it is your responsibility to

- **Follow leaders' instructions**, which includes:
 - Staff & Volunteers
 - Take responsibility for my things and the equipment I use
- **Respect others comfort, safety, and privacy:**
 - Changing clothes in areas where you are not visible to others. The bathrooms are the safest place for this to take place.
- **Be ready on time:**
 - Make sure you're aware of the times you are required to be places and keep to them
- **Participate positively in worship and group activities and act 'above the line'.**
- **Look out for each other:**

Students may be excluded from certain activities if the above rules are not followed or parents/guardians may be called to come collect their child.

Parents/Carers

I give my son/daughter, _____ permission to attend Adventure World.

Parent Signature:

Student signature:

Date:

Date

Adventure World Transport: Monday 2nd December

Student Name: _____

PLEASE TICK A BOX FROM BOTH COLUMNS

Getting there

- School Bus** – from school at **9:00am**.
- Public transport** – arrive at Adventure World at 10:00am.
- Personal transport** – arrive at Adventure World by 10:00am.

Returning home

- School Bus** – leave Adventure World early and arrive back at school by 3:25pm.
- Public transport** – leave Adventure World by 5pm.
- Personal transport** – pick up from Adventure World by 5pm.

Parent Signature: _____