



WELCOME PACK

DARE ADVENTURES



Dare Adventures School Camp Guidelines and Welcome Information

We are very excited you have chosen Dare Adventures and Jarrahsall Bush Camp for your school camp, if there is anything we can help you with, feel free to speak with any of our team or call 9538 1314.

Yours Sincerely

The Dare Adventures and Jarrahsall Bush Camp Team

A WORD FROM OUR BUSINESS OWNER:

Thank you for your interest in Dare Adventures. Our school camp program has been running in Dwellingup for over 32 years. Before you arrive, I would like to convey some important information so that you and your students get the most from the experience.

Dare programs are run from our own Jarrahsall Bush Camp in Dwellingup and our sister site Jarrah Forest Lodge. The accommodation is basic, we want the students to feel like they are camping indoors. The students get to have a bush camp experience where they stay in large dormitory rooms on bunks and feel like they're on a giant sleepover with all their friends. The students are expected to keep their dorm clean and tidy, they pick up and sweep up after themselves. Part of the empowerment of the camp is them learning to be self-sufficient. Students are expected to clean up after themselves and do their own dishes. The activities are fun and challenging, some students will face fears or phobias such as heights, the dark or water. The activities are all challenge by choice, our instructors issue simple instructions and while we allow the students to choose, we don't give them reasons not to participate we simply encourage and repeat the instructions.

Our camp pricing is based on instructor ratios of 1 instructor to 16 to 20 students. It's very important to note that all activities continue in all weather, we only stop an activity if it becomes unsafe. We don't want students missing an activity they may have been looking forward to. We promise a little rain won't hurt them so please ensure the students bring warm wet weather gear in Terms 2 and 3. In summary, Dare Adventures encourages participants to challenge themselves, revel in their success and learn from their failures. We are not a hotel and don't claim to be as that's an experience for another time, we are a bush camp. Being prepared for a camping experience with pillows, sleeping bags and a fun attitude will allow the students to get the most from their stay. Our aim is for the students to leave happy and exhausted with a little more grit, resilience, and self-reliance.

Regards

Clayton Fredericks

Director



ARRIVAL

- Check for the access code in the information email sent to all school staff prior to camp, you need this code to get in and out of the gate and buildings.
- Please park vehicles in the appropriate / designated parking areas. We take great pride in providing a welcoming and pleasant outdoor space at the camp. You can help us keep the grounds in top shape by keeping vehicles on established road areas and car parks.
- PLEASE DO NOT remove or drive over rock or log walls as these are in place to protect tanks and pipes and our grassed / turfed surfaces.
- Many of our grassed areas have reticulation installed, please do not drive on them. This includes the oval.
- DO NOT park near water tanks behind the Bunkhouses, access to these must be maintained.
- When driving through the property please BE ALERT at all times for pedestrians and keep your speed to a maximum of 10km/h.
- Please prevent any food from being stored in the bunk houses, this attracts pest animals into the buildings. There are fridges etc available for food storage.



DURING CAMP

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO RUN A GREAT CAMP

While we take pride in running a great camp for your school, we can't do it without you.

- Teachers on rock wall activity may be asked to wear a harness and belay participants, they may also be asked to assist unloading the flying fox.
- Teachers on kayak will be required to paddle and must be prepared to get wet.
- Teachers are needed to help run the night walk activity with supervision and standing on the track.
- Serving and supervising washing up of all meals will be the responsibility of the school staff/adults.
- One duty group is needed before and another after each breakfast and dinner. Students that are on River Activities (Kayaking, Swimming, Fishing), or Climbing Tower activities (Abseil, Crate Climb, Rockwall and Flying Fox) straight after breakfast or immediately before free time / dinner will not be able to do these breakfast pack up / dinner set up duties.

WE OFTEN HOST MORE THAN ONE SCHOOL ONSITE

Everybody who stays with us has the right to peaceful enjoyment of the environment here. Please be aware that there may be other schools onsite during your stay, In consideration of this;

- Please keep campers / students in or around your area of the camp outside of activity times, there are designated facilities / spaces for your school to use. Please do not enter the other camp areas or facilities, dining area or accommodation buildings
- During free time the oval is a shared space and can be used by all schools on camp. Should you wish to coordinate with teachers from the other group your Dare Camp Coordinator can help you make contact.
- We respectfully ask that noise is kept to a minimum after 10pm.

SAFETY FIRST PLEASE HELP US TO PROVIDE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR CAMPERS

- There is a dam on the site, dam's are a drowning hazard. Students are to be briefed to stay clear of the dam unless on activities. Please ensure all students are supervised during free time and kept clear of the dam.
- We also have some really cool and interesting equipment for our activities and camps but if they are not used properly, this equipment can be dangerous. Please refrain from allowing anyone to climb any towers (Flying Fox, Abseil, Rockwall etc.) or from accessing any activity equipment when not under instruction from one of our staff.
- We reserve our accommodation and programs only for School Camps during term time. There maybe rare occasions that adults from other organisations or businesses maybe be on site during camp. These persons will either be accompanied by the Dare Adventures / Jarrahfall Bush Camp Staff member or will have passed a site induction and be wearing a bright vest clearly indicating their business around the camp.
- All Dare Adventures / Jarrahfall Bush Camp Staff have Working With Children Checks. It is up to the school staff to ensure all adults accompanying and supervising the campers have the required clearances / checks in respect of Child Safety.

MEALTIMES & HOUSEKEEPING

- Your Group Coordinator will be there to assist you in serving out the first meal (usually dinner on the first night). Serving and washing up of subsequent meals will be the responsibility of the school staff / adults. Our friendly kitchen staff and cleaning staff will be around to help with any issues.
- Special Diet meals will be provided from the menu form previously supplied. We will only supply alternative meals as required based on the Final Details Form. Ensuring campers with special dietary needs receive the correct meal for the individual is the responsibility of the designated school staff member. Please talk to our kitchen staff before the first meal to make sure this runs smoothly
- Lunches are typically served outside. Schools need to bring an esky / cooler to store the packaged last day lunches. This will usually be chicken and salad wraps.

- Tea and Coffee making facilities are available for school staff, please let one of our team know if anything needs stocking up.
- School staff and campers are responsible for the daily cleaning and care of the accommodation buildings, dining hall before and after meals and washing up after meals.
- Accidents happen, please record any damages/losses that occur during your stay and inform a Dare Adventures / Jarrahfall Bush Camp staff member. We may need to ask the school to pay for these damages depending on the circumstances.
- At the end of your stay, please take a moment to tidy up and return the buildings to the tidiness and configuration you found them in particularly if items have been moved between buildings.
- We rely on rainwater to keep our tanks full so please use water wisely. We would appreciate guests keeping showers short (about 2 minutes would be great).
- Please note we are a pet free camp, please leave your domestic pets at home.

FIRES AND HEATING / COOLING

- Everybody loves a campfire. You will need to bring any wood with you for the outside firepits.
- There is a Fire Ban from 1st December to 31st March every year. This can be extended by the authorities depending on conditions.
- Each building is provided with enough firewood for the wood heaters for that building. Extra firewood can be purchased from the IGA or Roadhouse in town.
- Some buildings are equipped with air conditioning and fans as appropriate for the design of the building.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR FIRST AID AND EMERGENCIES

- Care for pre-existing medical conditions and injuries including storage and administering of medications is the responsibility of the school staff.
- Minor first aid needs are the responsibility of the school staff, who are expected to have a first aid qualified staff member and stocked first aid kit on camp with them.
- Remote or emergency first aid can be attended to as needed by Dare Adventures / Jarrahfall Bush Camp staff.
- The school is expected to have a vehicle and staff member available to transport individual students as necessary in the case of medical emergency evacuation or disciplinary evacuation. In the instance of an anaphylactic emergency two epi pen shots are likely required for the journey to emergency medical help.
- The Emergency Muster Point is at the Basket Ball Court on the edge of the oval.

AED (Defibrillator) Access. AED device (defibrillator) is located on the southern outside wall of the Reception Hall building. Code to access case is C2014.

The nearest doctors is Pinjarra (20 minutes drive) and 24hr emergency hospital is Peel Medical Centre (45 mins Drive).

DEPARTURE

- Please ensure that all belongings and equipment has been removed from the accommodation buildings before breakfast on the last day of camp.
- Please ensure that all furniture is left how you found it.
- Please ensure that all lights, taps and power-points are turned off.
- Please ensure that the fire is out.
- Please secure all rubbish in rubbish bags and put in large green bins.
- Please leave the buildings clean and tidy

