Dear Parents/Guardians

For many years now we have conducted the Grade Six camp at ‘Curumbene’ near Corop in Northern Victoria. Due to the success of past programs, 2016 will be the 26th consecutive year we have attended this camp. We will be at camp from Monday February 22nd – Friday February 26th 2016 inclusive.

Experienced Silverton Staff will accompany the students to the camp. The camp owner and his accredited staff are all outdoor education trained and will also conduct activities.

Accommodation is in rooms shared with approximately six other children. Each room has its own ensuite. Facilities on site include a recreation room, tennis court, swimming pool, canoes, abseiling wall, a rope course, indoor climbing wall, flying fox and an outdoor cooking area.

On Wednesday February 24th students will travel to Echuca for the day and partake in a historic tour of the Port of Echuca followed by a ride on a Paddle Steamer where they will experience Australia’s unique and fascinating Murray River Paddle Steamer history. After lunch students will visit Sharp’s Movie House and Penny Arcade to play antique machines.

The cost of the camp will be $350.00 per child. This will cover all transport, accommodation, Echuca day trip costs and meals excluding lunch on the Monday.

To confirm your child’s place please pay your deposit of $100.00 by Friday 6th November 2015. The balance of $250.00 can either be paid in full by 13th February 2016 or by instalments as follows:

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If you received the CSEF (Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund) payment from the government, this can be used towards the camp payments.

**Camp must be paid in full by Friday February 12th 2016**

This camp week is always a highlight of the children’s final year at Silverton. Student’s parents and teachers who have been to Curumbene would all recommend that your child attend. Should you wish to talk about any aspect about the camp please come and see Mr Blundell – (Grade 6 Camp Co-ordinator).

Yours sincerely

Amanda Prosser (Principal), Loretta Sutherland (Assistant Principal), Kathryn White (Grade 56 Learning Centre Leader) and Mark Blundell (Grade 6 Camp Co-ordinator)
October, 2015

‘Get Ready Now’ for the Grade 6, 2016 Camp Experience

Student Behaviour and Wellbeing

As mentioned previously, the week away at camp is a wonderful experience and a highlight of the student’s final year at Silverton. The Staff at both the Camp and the School are very supportive of this experience for the children. Camp Curumbene can accommodate larger numbers and we hope that every student will attend.

A safe and successful camp however, is reliant on cooperative behaviour and it’s important that everybody understands and commits to this outcome.

Given the distance from Melbourne for four nights in Room Shares, the Day Trip to Echuca and the extensive Outdoor Activities, it is crucial that students obey the supervising adults in charge. The safety and wellbeing of each and every student are the prime considerations.

Currently at school the teachers are helping the students notice their own actions and choices with a focus on six positive behaviours:

RESPECT
OBEDIENCE
RESPONSIBILITY
TEAMWORK
ENCOURAGEMENT
KINDNESS

Students who are actively demonstrating these skills are making good choices to be included in the Camp Experience and be eligible for School Leadership Roles in 2016.

From this point on, (October, 2015), teachers will be monitoring student behaviour to observe students they can rely on to make their best effort to behave appropriately and get along with others.

What better motivation than to be able to participate in all the fabulous forms of recreation – tennis, swimming, canoeing, abseiling, ropes, climbing, flying fox, outdoor cooking and Paddle-Steam rides!

Children practising these skills now will show that they are ready for the challenge of being away from home and parents will feel more positive that they can trust their children to do what they are told, when they are told.

Optimising the Opportunities on Offer

If Teachers and Parents can work together to ‘catch’ the children doing the right thing at school and at home – it’s almost like adding ‘Credits’ to the Bank of Happy Campers!
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My child ……………………………………………………………………… in grade ………………… will attend the Grade 6 Six Camp at Curumbene, from Monday February 22nd until Friday February 26th 2016.

I have enclosed a deposit of $100.00 in cash/cheque/eftpos (see below if paying by card or Direct Deposit).

☐ Please use my CSEF payment

I understand that all payments must be finalised by Friday February 12th 2016.

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Parent / Guardian Signature

Please charge this to my MasterCard / Visa / Bankcard $ _____________
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OR

I have paid by Direct Deposit using the account details: BSB 063-244  A/C # 0090-1052

If paying by Direct Deposit, please ensure your Child’s Name and ‘CAMP’ are included in the description & return this form with details below

Name: ________________________________ Date deposited: __________
Reference No. ________________________________