

Welcome to the Summer Alps Edition Home-school Camp

2025 Feb 10th – 14th – “*NOT BACK TO SCHOOL*”

Connectivity, Creativity, Continuity & Life Long Learning = The 3 C's and 3 L's

In the spirit of reconciliation I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, waters and community. We pay our respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.

RULES: remember not all people camping are Home School families.

Respect everyone and treat them as you would like to be treated.

Noise to be kept to a minimum from **10pm: no music after 10pm, soft voices only.**

Do not enter another families camping area/accommodation without an invitation. Tell your children.

Use all Caravan Park equipment responsibly.

Manners are asked for.

Bike HELMETS are required for ALL riders at all times.

SUPERVISION: This should not have to be said, but I have seen first-hand some families assuming their little kids will be fine at a Home School camp because other parents will look out for them - without the consent of another adult.

Whilst I know most of us will check on all kids, it can be very draining to watch another family's youngster just because they have befriended your child.

If you have children under the age of 12, but particularly under the age of 9, NEVER walk away from them because they are playing nicely with another family.

Always ASK the other adult if it is OK to leave child and give them your number and a Time you will be back. Respect their time and energy.

This also goes for having other families children in your own camp area and leaving them unsupervised – please confirm with the other parent 1st.

We will be camping at the banks of a River, NON Home Ed families will be present at the park.

Remember Safety, respect and communication are KEY to a safe and joyful camp.

ACTIVITIES

POP UP AND OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES – This is to be run by YOU!

Have little kids that need to be busy? – organise a game of Tag and pop it on the Whiteboard with location and time/day.

Have a crafty child – set up some craft to share at the camp kitchen/ HS Hub.

Want to go for a Bike ride – invite others.

The whiteboard is supplied by me – use it to communicate – also FB Messenger can be useful too.

SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

MONDAY 10th

Meet and Greet from 4.30pm - 6.30pm @ Camp Kitchen River Front Area (HS Hub) – BYO food, snacks etc and a willingness to meet new folks.

This is a casual gathering and if you see someone looking lost, please welcome them as this is the first Camp for some in our Home School community and we would love it to be a welcoming and inclusive event.

Bella the Bookworm Storytime session 7pm – 8pm (See whiteboard for future sessions and correct times)

Wind down your day with Bella the Bookworm's magical story-time session!

Perfect for children of all ages, Bella brings stories to life with captivating tales, gentle interaction, and a sprinkle of wonder. Wear your pyjamas, bring your favourite cuddly toy, and get ready to settle in for a cosy, heart-warming adventure that will spark imaginations and leave everyone ready for sweet dreams.

45 minute session \$5 per child – adults free!!!

Teen meet n Greet 7.30-8.30pm @ the Camp Kitchen – bring a deck of cards, some snacks to share etc BYO rug/Chair/Snacks/Food/Drinks and a willingness to meet others.

Many folks are coming in on Monday, if you are already set up, feel free to offer assistance or explore the wonderful surrounds.

TUESDAY 11th

7.30-10.30am Coffee & Chat @ Front of Camp Kitchen in HS HUB - casual

NBTS Party All Day - Today there will be many families visiting for the day – make them feel welcome. We will have lawn games set up, the HS Hub with Whiteboard, swimming in pool and River.

10am – 11.15am GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE with Arabella – Story and Dance Workshop for Kids 5yo and up

\$15pp – Meet at HS Hub 9.45am max 20 participants (if you miss out on this session I am sure she will have another in the afternoon and possibly Wed too!)

Bella the Bookworm Storytime session evening (See whiteboard for future sessions/times) 45 minute session \$5 per child – adults free!!!

WEDNESDAY 12th

7.30-10.30am Coffee & Chat @ Front of Camp Kitchen in HS HUB – casual

10am Pine forest potion play workshop! – Check whiteboard for location – Bookings essential \$15pp Ages 3-12yo – with Kelly-Anne

Drama & Dance Workshop with Arabella – Check whiteboard for details.

THURSDAY 13th

7.30-10.30am Coffee & Chat @ Front of Camp Kitchen in HS HUB – casual

Check Whiteboard for activities run by YOU fabulous families.

Not sure what to offer?

EG:

UNO match for kids aged 7-9yo meet at HS HUB @time, ask for XXYZ

or

Game of Survivor Tag for 13 yo and under 2pm at the HS HUB

or

We are riding to Bright for a play at the Splash park, leaving 9.30am meet at Bridge etc

or

Colouring In at the HS Hub (or your own camp area) from 1pm.

Connection is made by being open and inviting, whilst not everyone has capacity to do this, please respect those that do and encourage the kids to be inclusive and welcoming.

This camp is a first for many families, if you see a group of kids together, please DO NOT assume they have known each other for years – they could have just met. Ask them, ask them to include your child, be ok with getting uncomfortable and show your child how to connect.

What happens if they do not want to include your child – ask them why? Are they in the middle of a game? Are they busy?

Maybe it is not a good match?

I always ask about the kid's interests and then try to meet others with a similar interest.

If you have a shy child, consider inviting other kids, that may have similar interests, (pop it on the whiteboard or chat) to meet at a place and play a game or discuss a book etc.

SAFETY:

Supervision is VITAL – we are on the river and we are on a road.

Who is watching your child? - are they OK to watch your child?

The river front area has a walk through section, that means the general public can use this space too!

And finally – show the Park staff love and respect!

Teach the kids the park rules – follow them yourself.

Pick up rubbish – keep this place beautiful

Thank you for joining us for this Not Back to School Camps Summer Alps addition!

FRIDAY 14th Pack Up Day!

NEXT LOCAL CAMP Beechworth Oct 12th to 17th

Details

