

Camp-Out @ Hillary's Primary School

Update #3 – 22 July 2017

Dear All,

Earlier this month the Hillarys Primary School 'Fathering Project' group which is part of the greater <http://thefatheringproject.org> rolled out an invite for a campout on the **19th August** on the school oval for all Hillarys Primary School students (Kindy through Grade 6) and their Dads to facilitate 'father/child' and 'father/father' interaction. *Note: If weather is predicted to be poor, event will be delayed 1 week.*

To date ~40 families have registered interest and booked a campsite. Most in tents however we also have a few with camper trailers and even a couple of small caravans. *Last date to register 14th August.*

On Tuesday 18th July, a dozen Dad's met at the Northshore Tavern to discuss and plan activities along with guidelines we were all happy to abide by. Also it was agreed that a mass order of PIZZA was preferred over a BBQ. Ideally a Pizza Van else will be Domino's or equivalent (*More details to follow on this*).

The following guidelines were agreed:

- 1) No pets.
- 2) No smoking on the school grounds.
- 3) No generators. Assume no power supply either.
- 4) Dad's to accompany own children to the toilets after dark.
- 5) No driving of vehicles around the campsite unless departing the school (<5km/hr).
- 6) Alcohol ok after dark but in small socially responsibly volumes given all to remain fully responsible for their own children including driving them home safely/legally or to a Doctor if the need arises.

High level time line of activities:

- 1100hrs – Gates open for camper trailers & caravans ONLY.
- 1230hrs – Setting up of tents in designated areas (once trailer vehicles have departed or parked).
- 1400hrs – Sports activities on the oval (Tug of war, *treasure hunt (maybe)*, sack races, footy, etc..)
- 1630hrs – Setting up of the common area with patio gas heaters, picnic rugs, chairs and the like.
- 1645hrs – Gather in common area setup for talent show etc..
- 1700hrs – *Talent Show Part #1 (Father/child pairings / Solo kids / Group kids).*
- 1800hrs – Pizza on Mass !!
- 1900hrs – *Talent Show Part #2 (Dads performance for the kids).*
- 2000hrs – Bed time stories / songs (*Details TBA*).
- 2030hrs – Free time / Bed time as per parental guidance.
- 2100hrs – Dads relax!!

- 0500hrs – Coffee Van arrival & setup.
- 0600hrs – Coffee Van Open for business - Buy your own so bring cash!!.
- 0600hrs – Cook own breakfast if you want.
*Several are bringing small portable gas cookers for bacon & eggs.
If you don't have a cooker bring bacon & eggs anyway as others will share.*
- 0700hrs – Commence tent pack-up etc.. (*minimise vehicle movements during this time*).
- 0800hrs – Camper trailer/caravan departures.
- 0900hrs – 100% Clearance of the oval as booked for Soccer training by others.**

For updates & open discussion, please join one or both of the below:

HILLARYS PRIMARY SCHOOL CAMPOUT 2017 group on Facebook.

Dad's of Hillarys (doh!) group on Whatsapp.

Contact stephen.kretschmer@iinet.net.au for further details if required.

Dads to meet @ Northshore Tavern @ 7pm Tues 15th August to practice performance (invite to follow).