



## Y-CAMPS JANUARY 2012

### Camp 1

**Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup> to Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup> (9-15+ years)**

**Bus departs:** Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup> at 10am from City YMCA, 12 Hereford Street.  
Sign in begins at 9.15am. Campers MUST be signed in by an approved parent/caregiver.

**Bus returns:** Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup> at 12pm to City YMCA, 12 Hereford Street.  
Campers MUST be signed out by an approved parent/caregiver.

### Camp 2

**Sunday January 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup> (9-15+ years)**

**Bus departs:** Sunday January 15<sup>th</sup> at 10AM from City YMCA, 12 Hereford Street.  
Sign in begins at 9.15am. Campers MUST be signed in by an approved parent/caregiver.

**Bus returns:** Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup> at 12pm to City YMCA, 12 Hereford Street.  
Campers MUST be signed out by an approved parent/caregiver.

### Camp 3

**Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup> to Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup> (Sandhoppers ONLY 7-9 years)**

**Bus departs:** Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup> at 10AM from City YMCA, 12 Hereford Street.  
Sign in begins at 9.15am. Campers MUST be signed in by an approved parent/caregiver.

**Bus returns:** Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup> at 12pm to City YMCA, 12 Hereford Street.  
Campers MUST be signed out by an approved parent/caregiver.

Hello Summer Campers!

Our crew are looking forward to Y Camp and to meeting you all....here are a few reminders:

- 1- Programme is weather dependent.** Each age group will have a varied and challenging week including high ropes, low ropes, kayaking, coastering, and adventure based learning. We operate on a philosophy of challenge by choice. We expect all of our older campers to show leadership for our younger campers, and some of the Orcas will get a chance to organize an event for our Fantails.
- 2- Gear-please name all of your child's gear clearly!** Valuables- especially money, are not appropriate at Wainui. (And there is nowhere to spend it!) See attached gear list but even though the weather is (theoretically) warming, an extra blanket is useful, as well as a warm sleeping bag. Rain gear is essential, as are a pair of lace up sneakers that can get wet. A day pack and drink bottle are absolute must have items.
- 3- If you need to get a message to your child.** The best and easiest way to contact your child is by email-wainui@ymcachch.org.nz. Alternatively, the office is attended during the hours of 8am-4pm daily. You can phone during these times or leave a message outside working hours on 03 3048460.



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- 4- **Medications.** Our policy is that ALL medications are to be signed into staff when campers sign in at the bus. These will then be administered by a designated staff member/s and signed back to parents/caregivers at sign out. Campers are not to keep any medications with them unless this has been discussed with a staff member by parents/caregivers.
- 5- **Staffing.** The staff who are responsible for the programme instruction, management, maintenance and catering are full time YMCA staff who have undergone training and hold appropriate qualifications. Each age group is overseen by a team of fully trained programme staff who have put together a tailored programme for campers. Ultimate responsibility for daily operations lies with the camp manager, Andrew Hopper.
- 6- **Behaviour.** Our behaviour management policies are based around the YMCA four core values of responsibility, respect, honesty and caring. Expectations will be discussed with campers on day 1. Whereby a campers behaviour reaches the point that the need to be removed from camp, it is the expectation that a parent/caregiver will travel to Wainui and collect their child, or be charged for mileage. No refunds are given in this scenario.
- 7- **Cell phones.** Our policy is no cell phones at Camp. Coverage is poor and camp is about being with people, participation and enjoying the outdoors. Cell phones will be handed in to staff for safekeeping at the start of camp.
- 8- **Camp Policies and Procedures.** Are available for parents to read at sign in and sign out.
- 9- Sending treats and home baking. You are welcome to send any snacks or treats with your child however these will be shared with all cabin members.



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### GEAR LIST

Please name all clothing and belongings!

<b>Essential:</b> Drink bottle Warm sleeping bag (extra blanket is always handy) Pillow 3 towels Soap, face cloth, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo Sunscreen 2 pairs covered lace up shoes (suitable for walking, including one pair which can be worn in river/ocean). Gumboots and/or flipflops/sandals. 3 pairs of shorts 3 pairs of trousers 6 t-shirts	2 warm jerseys Warm jacket Raincoat Socks/underwear PJ's Togs Sun hat Day pack Polypropylene/thermal longs and tops Book to read Medications Torch A give-it-a-go attitude and willingness to try new things!
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<b>Optional/Useful:</b> Extra clothes, bedding, toiletries Camera Wetsuit Pack of cards/games Diary/pencil case etc	<b>Do Not Bring:</b> Money or valuables Walkmans, Ipods, game boys, stereos etc Spray deodorant Drugs or Alcohol Cell Phones Pocket Knives
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