



24 June 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians

Year 10 OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAMME
24 - 28 November 2025

Towards the end of Term 4, Year 10 students will be involved in a week-long Outdoor Education Programme. Most of the activities start on Monday, 24 November and run through to Friday, 28 November 2025.

As a school, we create programmes which match our Physical Education – Outdoor Education policy, offering experiences to enrich your son's time at Palmerston North Boys' High School. It is our intention to provide a range of outdoor education programmes to cater for the varied interests within the Year 10 student cohort. These programmes do incur costs, primarily for transport, accommodation, and commercial activities.

We recognise that the Canoe the Whanganui programme carries a higher cost; however, its distinctive and adventurous nature offers students a truly exceptional experience that would otherwise be difficult to access outside of school—especially at the significantly reduced rate we are able to provide.

Selecting camps five months in advance aims to ease payment for families and ensure fair access for all students.

The school has encountered a problem with late pullouts from camps, which often results in significant losses. This situation is impractical for the school. Your son is asked to be thoughtful in his selection.

Payment for your son's camp must be fully paid by **Friday, 31 October 2025** (Term 4, Week 4). Payments may be submitted prior to invoicing and the specified due date.

Please email or call with any questions relating to payment arrangements with the Finance Office. finance@pnbhs.school.nz or 354 5176 Ext. 799

Online payments are preferred using the details below but can also be made in cash or via EFTPOS at the Finance Office.

Bank Account: *Palmerston North Boys' High School*

Bank Account Number: *03 0726 0476403 00*

Please reference the payment with 'Year 10 Camp' and your son's 'Student ID Number'.

It is possible that students may not always secure their first choice of programme. Some camps receive more applications than the number of available places. To ensure that each student has an equal opportunity to attend their preferred camp, we will implement the following procedure:

- From 3.30pm on Tuesday, 24 June, students can use [this link](#), to access the Camp Selection Questionnaire.

- Students need to log into their School Google account using their school email and password to access the questionnaire. If there are difficulties logging into the School Google account, students should visit the IT Office (located at the end of B Block). For any issues with the questionnaire, students should see Mrs. Tomlinson in the computer administration office starting Monday, 14th July.
- The questionnaire **must be completed by 3.30pm on Wednesday, 16 July 2025.**

Camp allocations will start after Wednesday, 16 July and will be posted on Friday, 18 July on the PNBHS library window. If your son doesn't select a camp, we will follow up after 16 July.

Information for each camp can be read online as well as in this hardcopy.

Any visual presentations about the individual camps can be viewed on Stratus, using the link provided. [2025 PowerPoint Presentation.](#)

Permission slips, comprehensive gear lists, departure times, and other pertinent information will be provided by the teacher overseeing the activity as the camp dates approach. The initial camp meetings are scheduled for the middle of Term 3. Additionally, in Term 4, an evening meeting will be organized to allow parents to communicate with the staff responsible for each activity.

If you have any concerns relating to the camps or costs, please email Mr Blair van Stipriaan on vanstipriaanb@pnbhs.school.nz

Yours faithfully

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