

Information for Visiting Staff- Hero's Journey

Thank you for accepting your role as a visiting staff member for the upcoming Hero's Journey camp at the Tallebudgera OEEC. Our organisation prides itself on having an impeccable record of providing outstanding Outdoor Education programs for all students in a safe and enjoyable environment.

The 'Hero's Journey' is designed to incorporate many of the traditional activities whilst allowing for a clearer connection to the Australian Curriculum. It should not be perceived as an isolated event rather incorporated within the classroom's curriculum to provide meaningful and extended learning. Your support of the program is a major factor in ensuring the success of the camp experience.

About The Hero's Journey

The Hero's Journey is a story of individual transformation, a change of identity or the realisation of one's full potential. Students will leave behind their familiar surroundings and journey to an exciting 'new world' where there are risks, challenges and new problems to be solved. To successfully resolve the problems, participants must venture outside their normal ways of thinking and start to reinvent themselves. These experiences contribute to personal development and the formulation of one's identity. The Hero's Journey is also designed to help students see the cyclical nature of life's highs and lows.

Details of the Hero's Journey program at Tallebudgera OEEC are below. Please note variations will apply if your school elects to have a Theme Park visit or if you have a 3 night camp. Your camp organiser will contact you to advise of program modifications.

What	When	Details
Pre-visit	Approx. 1-2 weeks prior to camp	School Visit In a 1-1.5 hour session the students will be issued with their journals and introduced to the concept of the Hero's Journey to prepare them for camp. TBS staff will also meet with visiting teachers to discuss details of the camp.
Arrival, Induction Connection to place	Monday	Cabin allocation and site induction. Students will explore the special world of Tallebudgera which will include Burleigh Mountain.
Warriors Day	Tue, Wed & Thurs	Bodyboarding, Tobogganing, High ropes course at Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary (CWS). (This will include a bus trip to and from CWS)
Champions Day	Tue, Wed & Thurs	Canoe trip 2.5 km along Tallebudgera Ck. 2.5 km walk in the conservation area. Entry to Fleay's including Ranger presentations/shows
Guardian and Mastermind Day	Tue, Wed & Thurs	Group challenges designed to develop and promote teambuilding. Problem solving activities to challenge high level thinkers.
Celebration Day	Friday	Unlocking the treasure and discovering the prize. Team celebration with games and swim at beach or creek.

TBS has provided your school with a 'Visiting Teachers' Mentor Guide' to support and assist your level of understanding and participation with the program.

Please be aware that the Hero's Journey is a challenging experience for both students and teachers alike. All visiting teachers will need to be confident in their capacity to physically manage all aspects of the camp week. Please refer to the camp program to ensure that you are able to support the students in all activities. Please direct any concerns to your camp co-ordinator.



ARRIVAL

Upon arrival at TOEEC you will attend a camp induction session with your students. You will also be issued with a Camp Induction Booklet.

NIGHT PROGRAM

Beach School staff will facilitate or help support programs for the visiting teachers to facilitate or supervise.

MEAL DUTIES

Visiting staff will be required to supervise mealtime procedures with TOEEC staff present on night one for induction.

MEDICATION

A teacher from each activity group will be responsible for collecting, collating, administering and returning all medication for students from your school.

Visiting Teacher Requirements at Camp

Back Pack and Raincoat		Sandshoes (closed in)	
Water Bottle		Thongs and/or sandals	
**Rash Shirt (not supplied by TOEEC)		Student Journals	
Sunscreen30+		Wet shoes for	
Hat (wide brimmed)- <i>'No hat no play policy'</i>		water based activities	
CLOTHING	√	BEDDING- All bedding needs to contained in a bag	√
Shorts		**2 Sheets either king single or double	
T-Shirts (not sleeveless tops)		Pillow	
Socks		Blanket/Sleeping Bag	
Underwear / Bike Pants or Skins for chaffing		*No sleeping bags without sheets	
Swimwear (optional - swimming goggles)		TOILETRIES	√
Warm Jumper/ Jacket		Toothbrush/Toothpaste	
Pyjamas		Soap/ Shampoo/ Lip Balm	
Neat casual clothes for evening activities		Optional – Hand sanitizer	
MISCELLANEOUS	√	2 Towels / Washer	
Plastic bags for wet gear		Deodorant-Aerosols should be avoided as they can trigger smoke detectors, you will be liable for costs.	
School Identification Badge		Sporting Equipment- Schools are responsible for bringing their own gear for oval free time. Tennis Courts are no longer available, under construction.	
USB- for copy of TBS final day presentation			

On the morning of camp prior to boarding the bus -

- All staff will need to complete a Covid-19 Health Screening Questionnaire.
- Teachers will need to complete a 'Group Health Screening Questionnaire' for the activity group that they have been assigned to.

These will be collected by the Camp Co-ordinator along with your bus list on arrival at TOEEC. We look forward to sharing the 'Hero's Journey Experience' with yourself and your students.

Yours sincerely,
TOEEC staff

