

Please note that cancellations after the 6th January will not be refundable, unless it is a family or medical emergency. We are no longer able to provide refunds for non attendance due to sickness unless cancellation takes place by the 13th January 2024. Please review our [Terms and Conditions of Camp](#).

The leadership team has been considering how to make camp as effective as possible to help our youth engage with God and with one another. We recognise that technology plays a huge role in the lives of our youth, particularly phones, and we are eager to consider their place on our camp. It's been our experience that phones are barriers to healthier engagement in the things that are happening on camps, and as I (Josh) have been chatting to other youth ministers, this is a barrier that some groups have chosen to negate. Anecdotally, churches that have removed phones from their camp have experienced deeper joy, healthier conversation, better sleep, and an overall better time. This is something we would like to consider.

With this in mind, we would love to hear your thoughts as parents. We recognise that people like to have close contact with their youth, but this is something we can do through the camp directors. We would love to hear your feedback through [this form](#).

Also, please find the packing list below:

1. Physical Bible and pen(s)
2. Sleeping bag, base sheet and pillow case
3. Swimmers (including shirt/rash vests for guys and girls) and sunscreen
4. Casual clothing, hat and toiletries
5. A jumper
6. Clothes that can get messy/wet
7. A costume for Theme Night - this year's theme is POWER (for example: Power rangers, superheroes, powerful historical figures, powerful professions, the forces of nature). We're looking forward to the creativity you can bring with your ideas.

If you have any questions regarding the above, feel free to contact us via the office phone (9488 9855) or via email (youth@christchurch.com.au). Expect another email from us next year with more details and camp logistics.

In Christ,

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