

Pre Camp Letter

Kauaeranga Valley Christian Camp

APRIL JR CAMP

Adventure is Calling You

We are excited for the coming camp!

To parents/guardians:

Only a few weeks to go until the school holidays begin! We're so excited to have your child join us for our April Holiday Camp – *Up and Go!* We thank you for entrusting us with your children. We have a full week of fun, faith, growth and adventure planned for these Holidays.

We know you're just as excited as we are, so here are a few things we thought you'd like to know:

Camp Theme:	Up and Go!
Dates:	TUESDAY 7 TH APRIL to FRIDAY 10 TH APRIL 2026 FOUR DAYS, THREE NIGHTS
School Years/ Age	School Years: 3-5 or Ages 7-10
Location:	KAUAERANGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN CAMP 304 Kauaeranga Valley Road, 3577 Thames
Sign In Time	SIGN IN: Tuesday, 7th April, 2026* Boys: 11 am* Girls: 11.30am* Gates are locked till 10:55am, so please do not come earlier for SIGN IN.
Closing Ceremony *optional for parents to join	Closing Ceremonies with Lunch: 12pm Friday, 10th April, 2026 The whanau is invited to come and celebrate the end of camp & join us for Lunch before sign out.
Sign Out Time	SIGN OUT: Friday, 10th April, 2026 Boys: 1pm Girls: 1.15pm

PAYMENT INFO

To secure your spot, please transfer a **\$40 deposit** to the account below using the **camper's name as a reference**:

Westpac #: 03 0458 0178492 00

- Early Bird Price: \$130, Normal Price: \$150
- The \$40 deposit is **non-refundable**.
- Cancellations made **within 48 hours of camp** are **not refundable** (some conditions may apply).
- **Camp Merch!** We have some amazing Merchandise available for our campers! If your camper would like merch; hoodie, t-shirt, hat- You can put in money for that merchandise. Please use your campers name and **"merch"** on your reference.
- If you're applying for **OSCAR**, please send the completed Work and Income form to programme@kvcc.org.nz or drop it off at camp for us to sign.
- If there is a \$20 difference in your invoice, that is most likely because the \$20 discount is for the **ADDITIONAL** child, not per child.

If your child can no longer attend, please email programme@kvcc.org.nz so we can offer the space to another camper.

DAY CAMPERS INFO

On the **first and last day of camp**, day campers should **arrive and leave at the same time as overnight campers**.

***An earlier pick-up at 5:30 PM** is also available to accommodate working parents.

Day campers pay the same rate as overnight campers, as they participate fully in the daily program.

Tuesday April 7, 2026 On Registration day please bring your camper at **11am**.

Wednesday and Thursday 8th to 9th April, 2026

The suggested drop-off time is between **8:00–8:30 AM**, and pick-up is at **8:30 PM***, aligning with the start and end of our daily program.

***An earlier pick-up at 5:30 PM** is also available to accommodate working parents.

Friday 10th April, 2026

The suggested drop-off time is between **8:00–8:30 AM**, and pick-up is at **1.30pm**, aligning with the start and end of our programme.

Day Campers need to bring each day:

Backpack with: (please put name on everything)

Water Bottle

Togs & Towel

Extra clothes to change into

Medication in Zipped bag with instructions-including inhalers

Hat & Sunscreen

Extra Running Shoes (if wearing Jandals)

SIGN IN INFO

We'll be using a **drive-through sign-in process** to keep things smooth and efficient.

When you arrive, our team will direct you from the **first entrance** to the **second entrance** of camp. Please follow the signs and staff guidance.

Gates are locked till allocated time for SIGN IN/OUT so please do not come early. We have lots of moving parts in the morning and will be ready at the times indicated.*

From the Second Entrance; There will be **four quick stations** along the way:

1. **Gear Drop-Off & Cabin Info** - Please give out the campers full name
2. **Biscuits drop off, Medication sign in & First Aid Check-In**
3. **Camper Sign-In** - Please indicate who will be picking up the campers at the end of week. Please confirm your Phone Number is right.
4. **Camper Drop-Off & Goodbyes**
Please park in the indicated area. Parents are invited to come and see where the camper is sleeping, come into the dining hall for a cuppa and some morning tea or have a look around. If you'd like a guided tour of camp, just let a leader know—we'd be happy to show you around. Prefer a self-guided tour? You're more than welcome!

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Schedule

	Tuesday	Wednesday /Thursday	Friday
8.00am		Rise and Shine	Pack Up
8.30am		Breakfast	
9.00am		Devotionals in Cabin	Evaluation Form
9.30am		Cabin Clean Up	Surprise!
10.00am		Chapel Time	
11.00am	Registration Boys	Cabin Time + Morning Tea	Pack Up + Movie
11.30am	Girls	Choice Adventures	
12.00pm	Welcome		
12.30pm	Lunch		
1.00pm	After Meal Activity		Sign Out Boys
1.30pm	Wide Game		Sign Out Girls
2.30pm	Afternoon Tea		
2.45	Adventure is out there		
3.30	Adventure is out there		
4.15	Adventure is out there		
5.00	Film Fest		
5.30pm	Dinner		
6.15pm	Ice Cream		
6.30pm	Wide Game		
7.15pm	Quick Dip		
7.45pm	God Time/Fire		
8.30pm	Cabin Time /Brush and Flush		
9pm	Lights Out		

*Times and activites may change

CHAPEL TIME TEACHING CONTENT



Our goal is to create a safe, loving environment where every camper feels valued, respected, and included in our whanau. As a Christian camp, we include biblical teachings twice a day as part of our camp experience. (This was outlined in the terms and conditions at the time of registration). This includes singing, dancing, skits, bible stories, fun games and challenges from a biblical perspective. We seek Life and Love in Jesus Christ.

Everyone is welcome and we value our campers from all backgrounds. Many of our regular campers come to KVCC to grow in their own Faith in God. Please be assured that we do not pressure any camper to adopt our faith or go to a certain church.

KVCC's statement of belief/faith can be found on our website here: [Statement of Faith and Practices](#) . If you are interested in asking about more, feel free to email us at programme@kvcc.org.nz

April Jr. Holiday Camp Gear List

Please ensure that all gear is labelled with the child's name on it.

CLOTHING

- T-shirts X 5
- Underwear X5
- Shorts X3
- Pants X2
- Socks X3
- Togs X2
- Pajamas X2
- Warm clothes
- Sunhat X1
- Waterproof Jacket X1
- Covered Shoes (that can get dirty) X1
- Jandals/ Slides X1
- Themed Costume
- Craft Paint Shirt



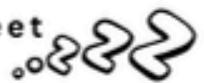
OTHERS

- Bible (if you have one)
- Notebook and pen
- Hand torch (to play night games-charged)
- Extra batteries
- Bug Spray
- Sunscreen
- Baking (to share for morning afternoon tea)
- Laundry Bag -to put wet/dirty clothes
- Medication (Please label with instructions in zip lock bag)
- Waterbottle



BEDDING

- Single Fitted Sheet
- Pillow
- Sleeping bag/ Duvet
- Extra blankets if needed



TOILETRIES

- Toiletry Bag (hanging)
- Towel X2
- Shampoo/Con
- Body Wash/Soap
- Tooth Brush
- Tooth Paste
- Floss
- Hair Brush
- Deodorant (no arosal)
- Feminine Hygiene (if applicable)



DO NOT BRING

- Vapes
- Phones/Technology
- Peanuts
- Knives
- Expensive clothes
- Expensive shoes
- Drugs
- Extra lollies/ food (we cater for everything)

NO



Merchandise

HOODIE



\$65

XS, S, M, L, XL

BUY @ CAMP's
New Store @
SIGN IN/SIGN OUT



\$40

T-SHIRT

Sizes:
Youth 8-14
S, M, L, XL

HATS \$30 OS

GRAB -YOURS- TODAY



EMAIL Orders to: office@kvcc.org.nz
REF: NAMEMERCH
Account West Pac # 03 0458 0178492 00



COMMUNICATION DURING CAMP

To help campers fully engage and build relationships without distractions, phones, tablets, and other electronic devices are not permitted during camp. All devices will be collected at the beginning of camp and safely stored- we prefer that campers do not bring them at all, leaving them home is preferred.

If your child has a specific need to retain their phone (e.g. for health-related reasons ie- insulin for diabetic), please speak directly with a staff member prior to camp.

In case of emergency, please contact us via:

- Phone: 07 868 8348
- Email: programme@kvcc.org.nz

Please note: During camp, our staff are hands-on with campers, so the office may not always be staffed. Email is the best way to reach us, and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

We understand that some campers may feel homesick, especially if it's their first time away. Our team is trained to gently support them through it using:

- Distraction and redirection
- Creative activities (e.g. drawing, writing letters home)
- Emotional support and comfort

If these strategies aren't effective, we will discreetly contact the parent/guardian listed on the sign-up form to discuss further steps and seek advice on how best to support your child.

CLOSING CEREMONY

We warmly invite whānau to join us in celebrating the end of camp!

Our closing ceremony will take place at **12:00 PM on Friday 10th April, 2026**

During the celebration, we'll:

- Share highlights and photos from the week
- Announce team winners
- Reflect on what the campers have learned and experienced
- Thank our amazing Volunteers and Staff

A sausage sizzle lunch will be provided for all attendees.

All photos taken during camp will be posted on our Facebook page: [Kauaeranga Valley Christian Camp](#)

✉ Please RSVP by emailing programme@kvcc.org.nz with the number of people attending, so we can cater accordingly.

🕒 **If You're Not Attending the Closing Ceremony:**

You can pick up your camper at the following sign-out times:

- **Boys: 1:00 PM**
- **Girls: 1:15 PM**

THANK YOU!

Once again, we are so excited to welcome your children to camp and share the incredible holiday we've prepared for them. Our team has been planning, praying, and preparing for a week full of fun, faith, and lifelong memories.

Rest assured—your children will be well fed, their energy well spent, and their time well invested. We truly believe this will be one of the best ways for them to enjoy their school holidays while building friendships, growing in confidence, and encountering God in a meaningful way.

As we head into camp, we would greatly appreciate your prayers for our leaders, campers, and the week ahead—that God would move in powerful ways, keep everyone safe, and that each child would leave feeling loved, encouraged, and inspired.

Thank you for trusting us with your tamariki—we're honoured to be part of their journey. We have not covered everything in this pre letter, so if you have more questions about cabins, activities etc, feel free to check out our parents info package here: [Parents Information Package-Holiday Camp](#)



Ngā mihi nui,

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