

Fraser Coast Technology Challenge Human Powered Vehicle Team, 2018 PARENT UPDATE LETTER

Dear Parent / Carer,

Our participation in this year's Fraser Coast Technology Challenge is fast approaching. Below is a summary of the important details about the event. Please check the itinerary attached to ensure that your son / daughter is fully prepared for the event and will get maximum benefit from attending.

We will be loading most of the competition and personal equipment into buses and trailers on Thursday afternoon 13th September in preparation to **depart at 5am Friday morning 14th September**. Students who will find it difficult to arrive at school by 4.30am Friday morning will have the option to sleep in one of the College classrooms on Thursday night under supervision of College staff. Please advise the College if you will need to utilise this option so that supervision can be arranged.

The race itself is a 24hr event around a closed street circuit within the Maryborough CBD. Each solo team consists of 8 students to peddle the vehicle in a relay format (approximately 40mins for each leg) along with 2 students as pit crew. The race will run from midday Saturday until midday Sunday.

Participants and support staff will be returning to the College following the completion of the event on Sunday 16th September. Based on past years, our **anticipated arrival time at ECC is approximately midnight on the Sunday**. We will update this time on the College Facebook page when we depart Maryborough and at our meal stops during the drive home.

As outlined in the original permission note, the College will cover the cost of all the technical equipment for the event, nomination fees for teams and provide the camping equipment etc. The student contribution of \$100 contributes toward the accommodation, transport and food costs (for both the Maryborough & Emerald events). Optional shirt purchases are charged separately. If you have already paid your deposit, please forward the balance of the funds as soon as possible. Full payment needs to be received for students to take part in the event.

Please feel free to contact me at a.ross@ecc.qld.edu.au or via the College office on 4982 0977 if you require further information.

We are looking forward to another successful event where students, parents and teachers share an exciting time of challenge and growth, while having a very solid dose of fun as well.

Yours in Christian Education

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Thursday, 13th September

- Students bring personal luggage to College
- Pack bus and trailers

Friday, 14th September

- Depart ECC at 5:00am
- Toilet stop (small snack for late breakfast) Duaringa 7:00am
- Morning Tea Gracemere 8:30am
- Lunch Granite Miriam Vale Rest Area 11:00am
- Toilet Stop Apple Tree Creek 1:30pm
- Travel to Fraser Coast Site
- HPV Campsite setup Maryborough State High School 3:00pm
- **Group 1 – HPV Team**
- Registration of HPV Teams and scrutineering of vehicles
- Evening Meal Onsite at MSHS
- **Group 2 – Smilie Pushcart Team**
- Travel to Riverside Christian College
- Set up Riverside Accommodation
- Evening meal at Riverside
- Early Bed

Saturday, 15th September

- Participate in events as per program schedule
- HPV students and supervisors remain on site during 24hr relay
- Remaining students return to Riverside late afternoon
- Dinner at Riverside (Own Catering)
- Early bed

Sunday, 16th September

- Participate in events as per program schedule
- Pack up HPV campsite during morning session
- Depart for Emerald approx 1:00pm
- Approx arrival at ECC 12:00am

Updates of student progress along with photos will be posted on the ECC Facebook page throughout the course of the event. Any routine changes to arrangements will be communicated to parents via this page. These include slight changes to travel times etc. Updated travel times en route home will be added to ensure parents are available to collect students upon arrival without having to wait for extended periods of time.

What to bring:

- Sports uniform for competing (ECC Race shirts for HPV team)
- Neat casual clothes for non-competition times
- Covered shoes for moving around Challenge venue and campsites
- Thongs for showering
- Warm clothing for mornings and evenings
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Toiletries
- Towel
- Cutlery and Crockery for meals at campsite
- Torch
- Medications with dosage instructions (to be handed to supervisor)

What not to bring:

- Aerosol Deodorant (It is a risk for asthma sufferers)
- Electronic devices (security is limited for personal items at campsite)
- Energy drinks

Supervision details:

- Mr Arthur Ross will be the Team Captain for the event and can be contacted if deemed necessary on 0412 550 521.
- Mr Graeme Johnston, Riverside Accommodation Venue
- Mr Nick Smart will- be overseeing the Pushcarts Events.
- Mr Joel Chandler and Mr Ben Fuhrmann will lead the supervision of the teams for the HPV race.
- Additional Campsite supervision at both venues: Mrs Courtney Costello, Mrs Lyn Johnston, Mrs Melissa Davies, Mrs Fiona Simpson and camp parents.
- Track Campsite catering
- Bus driving will be undertaken by Mr Tony Harrold and Mr Craig Simpson

Supervision arrangements will be similar to those of Year Level Camps with students under supervision of adults within set areas of the Challenge site or camp sites. If students need to leave these supervised groups (for toilet stops etc) this will occur with supervisor permission and only in groups of two or more students.