

24 June 2022

Event	Year 12 Retreat		
Location	Tallong Outdoor Education and Retreat Centre 137 Old Wingello Rd, Tallong NSW 2579		
Date	Wednesday 27 July – Friday 29 July 2022	Time	Leave: 9.00am 27/07/22 Return: 3.00pm 29/07/22
Transport	Chartered coach	Uniform	Neat, casual clothing
Cost	Nil – covered in school fees	Contact no.	0408 022 526
Return of note by	Tuesday 19 July 2022		

Dear Parent/Guardians,

As Year 12 come to the end of their journey at Merici College, they are required to attend their annual Year 12 Retreat. It is an overnight Retreat from Wednesday July 27 to Friday July 29 2022. The Year 12 Retreat is called "Dare to Dream". It is a compulsory "camp style" session off campus. It will be facilitated by the Maria Tolfree (Acting Head of Mission and Community). The venue is conducive to reflection, meditation, spiritual journaling, walking and drawing. The Retreat has a strong spiritual focus to allow students to reflect deeply as their journey at Merici comes to an end. Students are encouraged to discuss their own hopes and dreams for Yr 12 and for the years ahead and to reflect on the potential for the transformation that exists in the obstacles and difficulties they will encounter in their future. Students will be led to a deeper awareness of the values and beliefs necessary to achieve their dreams through an exploration of the questions – who am I, where have I come from and where am I called to? Students will also participate in active team-building games, walking, short bushwalk(s) and an evening campfire (weather permitting).

Dress for the Retreat days will be neat casual. All food for the Retreat is provided. Students are requested to bring the following:

- Appropriate shoes for bushwalking/walking: walking shoes or joggers with non-slip soles
- Warm winter clothes for layering including: warm coat, rain jacket, beanie, gloves, scarf
- Sleeping Bag and bottom sheet, pillowcase and towel
- Toiletries with relevant items eg. toothbrush, paste, deodorant, soap and sanitary items
- Refillable water bottle and hat
- Casual and comfortable clothing e.g. tracksuit pants and jumpers
- A chocolate bar of their choice which best describes themselves (for a specified activity)

The cost of the Retreat is included in school fees. This includes all meals, guest speakers, accommodation, and coach travel to and from the venue. Please return, either by hard copy or electronically, the enclosed contract, consent form and medical information to your daughter's House Coordinator no later than Tuesday 19 July 2022.

Yours sincerely,

Maria Tolfree
Acting Head of Mission and Community

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Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn Consent Form

Category C & D Excursions

Excursion To	Year 12 Retreat
Date(s)	27 July 2022 – 29 July 2022
Location	Tallong Retreat Centre - 137 Old Wingello Rd, Tallong NSW 2579
Organising Teacher	Maria Tolfree

Student Details			
Surname			
Given Name			
Date of Birth			
Year		PC	

School	Merici College, Braddon, ACT
Emergency Contact	
Name	
Phone	
Relationship	

Student Medical Details			
Please detail any medical conditions and treatment plans for your child, relevant to this excursion that we have not already been notified about.		OR	No changes or new medical information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Student Dietary Requirements Please outline your daughter's special dietary requirements.		OR	No changes or dietary information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Parental Consent
<p>I give my consent for her to participate in this excursion and agree to delegate my authority to the staff and instructors involved. Such teachers and instructors may take appropriate disciplinary action they deem necessary to ensure the safety, well-being and successful conduct of the students as a group, or individually in the above-mentioned activity.</p> <p>I submit the attached medical information about the abovementioned student and include details of limitations, which he/she has for the activities concerned.</p> <p>If I cannot be contacted to give approval for medical assistance, I authorise the teachers and instructors to obtain medical assistance, which they deem necessary should an accident occur. If I am unable to be contacted to give approval, I further authorise qualified medical practitioners to administer anaesthetic if such an eventuality arises. I agree to pay all medical expenses incurred on behalf of the abovementioned student.</p> <p>I accept that my child is to behave in an appropriate manner and have explained this obligation to her. I agree that if my child seriously contravenes behavioural expectations she may be immediately excluded.</p> <p>I give permission for images taken on this excursion of my child to be used by the school in school and system publications, both print and electronic. Please note that Merici can accept the returning of permission notes from a registered parent/guardian email address. There is no need to print and scan</p>

Parent/Guardian Signature	
Date	