



2017



St. John Bosco Centre Boys' Camp Gear List

Checklist

- o SLEEPING BAG (clearly marked with name)
- o SWIMBAG (towel, shorts, goggles, armbands)
- o TORCH (if you have one)
- o WATERPROOF (light anorak)
- o BAG (to pack your clothes in)
- o PLASTIC BAGS (2 for dirty clothes, socks, other) o CUDDLY TOY (Only if required – not favourite)
- o HAT (baseball/army/cricket for sun protection)
- o NIGHT CLOTHES
- o SHORTS (at least 2 pairs)
- o WASHBAG (flannel, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste)
- o JEANS OR TRACKSUIT TROUSERS (2)
- o TOWEL (clearly marked with name – not new) (2)
- o WARM TOPS (Sweatshirt, jumper or fleece) (2)
- o UNDERWEAR (boxer shorts, t-shirts)
- o SHOES (2 pairs old shoes/trainers ESSENTIAL)
- o SOCKS (suggest 7 pairs old socks)
- o TOPS (t-shirts etc.)

DO NOT BRING

1. Electrical items of any sort – ipods, games consoles, mobile phones*
2. Valuable items such as watches, rings, cameras, designer sunglasses or items of special sentimental value.
3. Aerosol cans e.g. deodorants
4. Knives of any sort, or matches. (It's not that kind of camping)

**E-safety ~ phones not allowed because of child protection. There is a phone on site for children to use to contact family if needed ~ 01206 242344*

Do NOT buy expensive new clothes for Camp.

Camping is rough on clothes and they could get ruined. There are no wardrobes, they will be rolled up in a bag in a tent for a week and get a "camping smell", and if it rains there is yellow mud that doesn't always wash out. Old clothes "on their last legs" are ideal – it doesn't matter if they get lost or muddy or torn.

Note for boys ~ Have a go at packing your own clothes. The easiest way to do it is put in all your favourites first, then the not-so-exciting things like wash-bags. Put in clothes for hot sunny weather and some warmer clothes for when it turns cold. Look after your belongings. Tell your Tent Brother and check Lost Property if you lose something. When you go home make sure you have everything you brought.

Some Useful Tips for Camp

A soft waterproof barrel bag is ideal as you can use it as a pillow.

Roll up your sleeping bag and put it in a black plastic sack with your name on the outside.

A small cuddly toy could be useful as an extra pillow, or to stop drafts getting into your sleeping bag.

Favourite old clothes are ideal for sleeping in on Camp, i.e. a t-shirt, 2 sweatshirts and socks – you can take off layers as you generate heat and warm up.

Keeping your feet dry is very important on Camp. Bring lots of socks and 2 pairs of comfortable old shoes. Do NOT buy new trainers. Wellies/jellies are fine if you like them.

MARK all your belongings

The easiest way to do this is write your name on the washing label or elastic with an indelible laundry pen.

Please note that although we do try to return any lost property that we find to the owner, we are not liable for any missing items.

We live in tents and valuables can easily get damaged or lost! ☹