



Maroon Outdoor Education Centre

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS

Learning experiences are selected and sequenced to assist students to achieve program outcomes. All activities are conducted under the direct supervision of a qualified Maroon OEC teacher. Students may be involved in any of the following adventure activities:

Aquatics

All participants are required to wear covered shoes and a correctly fitted personal flotation device.

Canoeing: using a single blade paddle in on open canoe.

Kayaking: using a double-bladed paddle in an enclosed double kayak. **Rafting:** using a range of equipment to design and build a raft for their group.

Bushwalking

Students may bushwalk or canoe to and from their campsite. They will use backpacks to carry their clothes and a variety of equipment depending on their age.

Students may be transported to and from the start, or end, of their bushwalks in Maroon OEC vehicles driven by Maroon OEC staff.

Camping

Students sleep in tents or shelters at campsites away from the facilities of Maroon OEC. Students prepare their own food using stoves, camp ovens or a pizza oven with food provided by Maroon OEC.

Many of these campsites are accessible by vehicle however some campsites are only accessible on foot. Alternatively, students may be transported to and from the start, or end, of their campsite in Maroon OEC vehicles driven by Maroon OEC staff.

Campout Preparation

Students are issued with their camping equipment and taught what and how to pack for camping and bushwalking

Campout Return

Students arrive back at the Maroon OEC facilities and clean and return their camping equipment.

Cookout

Students will cook their own dinner using stoves, camp ovens or a pizza oven with food provided by Maroon OEC.

Group Challenges

These activities require the initiative of the individual or group to complete a task. They utilise a variety of equipment with the safety of each person being a key component of the task. They do not require safety ropes and harnesses.

High challenge

Activities higher than 3 metres such as High ropes, Rock climbing and Abseiling. Students use harnesses, helmets and ropes to remain safe while attempting challenges on constructed equipment and natural surfaces.

Introductory Activities

The first session of each program is used to introduce students to the centre and the program. They will participate in small games and activities.

Orienteering

Students are taught how to use a map and compass and undertake a series of sequenced courses to find locations that have been marked on a map.

School Activity

Teachers from the school will conduct an activity with the students in and around the buildings of Maroon OEC.

Swimming

Supervised swimming may be conducted in Lake Maroon or freshwater swimming holes. Participants are required to wear covered shoes and may be issued a correctly fitted personal flotation device.