

dcypher 2015

camp run by:



A note to parents/guardians from the dcypher team...

Hi, and thanks for encouraging your child to join us for this year's dcypher camp! This year's camp boasts late night gaming sessions (& sleeping in!), massive NERF wars, interactive challenges and time out to chat about some of life's issues from a Christian perspective.

With each camper bringing their own computer (unless they're using one of our supplied systems), there are many potential technical issues. This year, not only does our leadership team have years of experience working with young people, but are also highly competent computer technicians, with much experience in diagnosing and solving computer problems. So we're all in good hands!

Below are the details of the camp. Please turn over for important information about the camp.

Some more details you'll need to know:

-Registration **3-4pm on Thursday 8th Jan** @Penguin High (admin building) **PLEASE NOTE:** we cannot permit entry to the building prior to 3pm

-dcypher finishes at **11:30am on Sunday 11th Jan** (pick up point same as above)

-Full payment / Balance of payment (\$130) is required on the day. (credit card/cheque/cash)

-Need to bring:

Computer, screen, power cables (powerboard provided), keyboard & mouse +pad, Minecraft account, headphones, canteen \$\$, (if you're borrowing a computer, you must bring headphones and your Minecraft account details)

Mattress/ Air bed/ camping bed, Sleeping bag/doona, pillow, toiletries, towel, changes of clothes & underwear, NERF GUNS! (if you have them and are happy to share)

-Please don't bring:

Drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, more than one monitor/screen, computer speakers, desk lamps, portable games, norton firewalls, cats.

**Please also be aware of bringing portable valuables (lotsa cash, ipod, camera) as these are more prone to being lost/stolen and you won't need them at camp.

If you have any questions about any of the information above then please contact Andrew Turner by phone or email: 0416 050 575 / andrew.turner@sutas.org.au There is also an extensive FAQ section on the dcypher website: www.dcypher.org



There are a few important details you need to be aware of to ensure dcypher runs as smoothly as possible:

~Every reasonable precaution will be taken to protect each computer at the camp (including the housing of computers in an alarmed & monitored building) but there is always the risk that something might happen that is beyond our control and you should be aware that hardware and software are brought to the camp at the owner's risk.

~On a similar theme, there is an absolute need for each computer to have all essential files backed up before coming to dcypher.

~The dcypher team want to make the camp the best experience possible for the campers, and working computers are essential for participation in the gaming parts of the camp. Computer games (and gamers) place a high strain on all aspects of a computer and achieving the best performance and reliability may require some adjustments to the system. As such, it is essential that the technical staff are permitted to make any necessary changes to a computer's configuration (hardware and software) if problems arise.

~In most cases, we will need to install some software on each computer - including games, anti-virus software (as necessary) and other programs as may be needed for the running of the event.

~For the first time at dcypher, we are primarily playing one game: MINECRAFT! If possible, this game needs to be purchased, installed and updated on your computer prior to camp. Due to the age range of this camp, we will not be playing/allowing any shooting games with violence or gore. We will be playing games other than Minecraft but these will be age appropriate and free.

~If you are borrowing a computer for camp, you MUST have purchased a Minecraft account and bring the details (username / password).

~If you have NERF guns and are happy for other people to use them, it would be great for you to bring them! We will do our best to make sure they are looked after well but we cannot guarantee their safety.



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