

# Horizons Unlimited Seasonal Work Overview - 2017

Hi There, Thanks for your interest in working on Horizon's programmes during the 2017 season. The following is a brief overview of some of the programmes that we will deliver this coming summer. These are the main pre booked programmes for this period, but usually other bits of work pop up over this time.

Please note that if you join our team during this time, you will not be working on all of the programmes outlined below as some of them overlap. Staff will be placed on jobs based on experience, skill set, client expectations, and where possible your preferences.

## January

During mid to late January we will run a staff induction, this is a chance to get to know our crew, learn more about the Horizons way of working, our values, and to suss out some of the areas you will be working in. Depending on the staff involved this usually involves a refamil at the Christchurch Ropes Course, specific site training for Craigieburn Conservation area where many of our longer school camps take place.

During this time there are a couple of leadership programmes held at the ropes course for Rotary Youth Leaders – Very Cool Days!

## February

This is when the bulk of the workload begins

### Year 9 School Induction programmes

Numerous schools such as Shirley Boys and Avonside Girls ask us to deliver Year 9 team building programmes. Students will participate in a high ropes session, and team challenge sessions. These programmes often run over

numerous days, 5 – 6 staff will be at the ropes course each day during this time.



### **Rangi Ruru School Camp**

We travel into Glenroy Lodge for a week and deliver a Year 9 camp for Rangi Ruru school–this is a fun multi activity camp including lots of team initiatives, low ropes at Washpen Falls, SUP'ing at Lake Lyndon and time for craft making too.

### **Akaroa Area School**

The programme for Akaroa Area School is based form the Environmental Education Centre in the Craigieburn Area. Activities include Raft Building, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, Overnight Tramps, Team Challenges.

The plan for the week is to set up a new way of behaving or continue to encourage positive behaviours already displayed by students. Models such as above and below the line will be introduced as a basis for the week. Students will do goal setting and other sessions in student journals and be encouraged to review their goals and reflect on their day.

### **Christchurch Boys High School**

This will be the 10th year we have delivered these Journey programmes which run Tuesday to Friday each week for 5 weeks. Seven crew will head out on this programme each week with around 60 students (two classes)

Three staff will start at the south end of the trip (Cave Stream) and will journey north. Three more will start north (Lake Pearson) and journey south. One staff member will co-ordinate the trip from a 4WD vehicle (mother ship) to shuttle extra food and gear and provide support to the instructor team. Each instructor will have their own group of 10 ish students for the four days, and one teacher will accompany each class.

The journeys involve tramping and camping skills, raft building, rock climbing, abseiling and caving - plus lots a fun, energetic night activities.



### **Avonside Girls High**

For AGHS we deliver a year 13 Leader programme, where the girls learn skills to be useful assistants on the Year 10 camp later in the term.

The AGHS Camps are based out of Kidson House at the base of the Hawden Valley – with trips to Kura Tauwhiti and Cave Stream. Rock Climbing, abseiling, caving, a cool environmental project and the “Queen of Castle Hill – team challenge” are highlights of this camp.

## **LEOTC Programmes**

Horizons has a contract to deliver programmes for the Ministry of Education through there 'Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom' funding scheme. The programmes we deliver will aim to complement Canterbury school's delivery of the Health and Physical Education Curriculum.

The agreement we have with the MOE is to deliver these programmes outside of our peak season. For programmes for Year 6 - 11

The year 6 – 8 programme involves low ropes and a team challenge and is based around the positive attitudes strand of the curriculum.

The year 10 - 11 programme involves some low ropes activities, and an orienteering challenge which includes team challenges and some high ropes activities. This is based on the interpersonal skills strand of the curriculum.



## **Other**

During the January – May period we also deliver various 1 and two day programmes for many other schools and tertiary training organisations. Often these are based at the ropes course, but can also involve rock climbing, abseiling, orienteering and SUP'ing, all over Canterbury..

## **Other Other Stuff**

Food and transport is provided during overnight trips. Transport is provided for jobs out of Christchurch. Staff are expected to get themselves to jobs located within the city or Port Hills.

Horizons also runs Outdoor First Aid and Outdoor PHEC programmes. As part of their employment package instructors are encouraged to join one of these.

We will give you a great uniform to wear – but you will need your own boots, sleeping bag and personal camping gear. A harness and helmet are a good addition too.



We will make available our work planner so instructors can get an indication of their work load. This will be based on the jobs we currently have confirmed.

Any questions, let us know ☺

The Horizons Team

