

2010 Years 7-10 Camp

Please read and complete all of the following sections.

*Student's Name* .....

Students will have the opportunity to be involved in a wide variety of activities however they may only participate if parents and carers have circled YES for that specific activity. Would you please read the following and circle YES if you are giving permission for your child to attempt the activity or NO if you do not give permission for a certain activity ie every activity must have either YES or No circled.

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| • <i>Archery</i>                                     | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |
| • <i>Bush Skills</i>                                 | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |
| • <i>Canoeing (life jackets provided)</i>            | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |
| • <i>Challenge Course</i>                            | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |
| • <i>Crate Climb</i>                                 | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |
| • <i>Giant Swing</i>                                 | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |
| • <i>Horses (grooming and riding when being led)</i> | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |
| • <i>Low Ropes</i>                                   | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |
| • <i>Rock Climbing (Artificial Surface)</i>          | <i>YES</i> | <i>NO</i> |

Does your child have specific needs concerning sleep eg needs waterproof sheet (please pack with sheets etc if needed)?

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*Student's Name* .....

*Does your child have particular dietary needs?*

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*Does your child have medication requirements ie dosage, time etc ?*

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*Is there anything else that we should be aware of concerning the camp?*

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*Signed* ..... *Date* .....



# MEDIA RELEASE

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**PAUL LYNCH MP**  
**MINISTER FOR AGEING**  
**MINISTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES**  
**MINISTER FOR ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS**

22 April 2010

## **Early intervention focus on autism**

Minister for Disability Services Paul Lynch today reiterated the NSW Government's commitment to support families of children with autism through early intervention and prevention.

Speaking at an Autism Aspect Australia morning tea during Autism Awareness Month, Mr Lynch said the Government was funding a number of packages to help children with autism reach their potential.

These supports include:

- **\$6.06 million** over 4 years for an early childhood intervention package of supports, information kits and professional development for staff
- **\$5 million** over 4 years for the Helping Troubled Kids Initiative to support young people with autism and challenging behaviour who are at risk of suspension from school
- **\$4.7 million** to Aspect organisation to deliver autism-specific early childhood intervention services and support networks

The \$6.06 million package provides:

- behavioural intervention
- home-based and centre-based early childhood intervention
- professional development program for service providers
- information kit for families

The Helping Troubled Kids Initiative comprises:

- \$4 million over 4 years for Leisure Link – supports families and young people with autism and challenging behaviour during holiday and out-of-school hours

- \$1 million over 2 years for Case Management for Young Children with Challenging Behaviour pilot in Central Coast and Macarthur
- This provides support in the home and at school for children and young people with autism and challenging behaviour

The funding for Aspect (\$4.7 million) comprises:

- Aspect's Building Blocks program, providing specialised support for families and their children so they can better access mainstream settings
- Regional Assessment Services providing families with access to clinics in Wagga Wagga, Cooma, Bega, Dubbo, Taree, Macksville, Moruya, Mudgee, Byron, Ballina, Coffs Harbour, New England, Broken Hill, Newcastle and Nowra
- Trial of an innovative approach to early identification and intervention for young people with autism

Mr Lynch said people with autism can make significant progress throughout their life and continue to develop their skills.

"Research indicates that providing the earliest possible intervention for children diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorders and their families results in the most positive outcomes," he said.

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# Sibworks

## Sibling Support Group

**Sibworks** – is a therapeutic support program aimed at siblings of children with special needs aged 8 to 15 years

**Aims:** the program aims to provide an opportunity for kids to have a fun experience; connect with other siblings; better understand their brother or sister's special needs; share their feelings with others who understand; develop coping skills for the future and much more.....

**Sibworks is a 6 week Program** – each week the group will discuss a different theme relating to their relationship with their sibling with special needs (chronic illness, disability and/or mental health issues).

**Time:** Parent Information Session : 10.5.10 at 3.30 pm

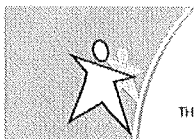
6 Week Workshop will be held on every Monday  
Commencing 17.5.10 at 3.30 pm

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