

Details for the last night of the Epic – Tuesday 3 December

We will expect fathers/ significant male role model to start arriving from mid-afternoon (3.30 to 4.00 pm) onwards.

If your son is in **Krakadouw and Breekkranz**, go to the **Waterbase**.

If he is in **Wolfberg** or **Sneeuberg**, go to **Jamaka**.

If he is in **Apex** or **Tafelberg**, go to **Sanddrif**.

Braai details:

We will organize the braai bins and wood and are asking you to please bring up a braai grid, some fresh meat/rolls/salad ingredients (enough to feed you and your son and maybe one other person – this is in order to help cater for those who don't have a family representative joining them), as well as luxuries such as chips and drinks (the lads will be dying for an ice cold coke or whatever other cool drink they love). Please note that it is **NOT** appropriate for the boys to drink alcohol at a school event. Feel free to bring blitz and charcoal – only one or two per group need do so.

Camping arrangements:

You will need a sleeping bag, bed roll, and pillow for the night. Bring along a costume, towel, sun hat, sunscreen, a change of clothing, camera, and toiletries. The idea is to hold the final tribal council together with father figures and boys before/ during the braai and then sleep out in the open, but you might prefer to sleep in your vehicle or a tent. Please do stay the night. We do not want boys and father figures disappearing in the course of the evening.

Directions to the 3 bases

You can see a map of the Cederberg at: <http://college.bishops.org.za/epic/Bases.aspx>

Waterbase - Clanwilliam Dam/Lebanon campsite (Krackadouw and Breekkranz)

Drive to Citrusdal (approx. 180km north of Cape Town on the N7). Travel another 24 km past Citrusdal towards Clanwilliam and take the right hand turn off to the Cederberg/Algeria. Drive approximately 1 km to the bridge over the Olifants River. Cross the bridge and take the left turn to Clanwilliam. Follow the dirt road for approximately 15 km (driving with the Olifants River and dam on your left-hand side). You will pass the entrance to a farm called Lebanon on your right-hand side. Just after the turn off to Lebanon, there is a farm gate on the left which you enter and follow the direction arrows through the orange trees and down to the campsite. Enjoy a swim in the dam!

Jamaka (Sneeuberg and Wolfberg)

Same as above except you continue driving towards the mountains (eastwards) after crossing the Olifants River. You may want to stop for a swim in the river (a staff tradition). Follow the dirt road over Nieuwoudt's pass and on to Algeria. Just before you reach Algeria, there is a turn off to your left to Clanwilliam (for some reason the road is paved here!). Travel roughly 6 km down this road. You will pass the Jamaka reception on your right. Go another few hundred metres and take the left hand turn down into the river valley, keeping to the right where the

road forks. From there you will be able to find your son's group and then enjoy a refreshing swim in the river pool.

Sanddrif (Apex and Tafelberg)

The same directions as for Jamaka, except you have further to go! Drive straight past Algeria (on your left), up the Uitkyk Pass (which is now both paved and tarred), and on for another 30 km or so. You pass Dwarsrivier farm on your right (you might want to pop in there and try some of their wine!) and then another 2 kms down the road you will see the sign board to Sanddrif (take this turn!). Drive past the chalets, cross the river, turn right and there you will find both groups in the campsite. Arrive in time for a walk down to Maalgat and a jump and a swim. Anyone who gets lost will have to pay a forfeit, afterall your son will have navigated the entire Cederberg on foot and bike by this stage of the Epic!

Breakfast

This year there is no breakfast provided, but there are many coffee stops along the way and I can recommend the Roosterkoek opposite the garage in Piketberg or Die Tol at the top of Piekenierskloof Pass.

Very important

We are assuming all boys will have their father or father-figure present. If the person is not the father, and you have not disclosed this information to Graeme Klerck yet, please let Andrea Rutter arutter@bishops.org.za know who you have arranged (your son's brother, uncle, godfather, grandfather, family friend). It is even more important that you let her know if no-one is coming. We are sometimes fortunate in being able to structure things so that his House-Director or even tutor can be there – but that is not guaranteed.

