



10th February, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Accommodation Needed!



During Week 7 of Term 1, a team of young people from NET Ministries will be working with our students in Year 9. The team need to be billeted (in pairs) with host families for the duration of their stay in Ballina.

If you are able to offer accommodation for two or more young people (along with dinner and breakfast) for up to five nights — could you please fill in the attached form and return it to the College Office before the end of Week 3.

Details

Team members arrive on Wednesday afternoon, 11th March. They have a team bus, and after some preliminary meetings at school, they could find their own way to host family homes in the team bus or could be collected from school. They will be staying in Ballina until Monday morning 16th March.

The team will be attending the 6.00 pm Mass in Ballina and assisting at the Parish Youth Group on Saturday night 14th March.

Team members will need dinner with a host family on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and Sunday night, and breakfast with host families on Thursday — Monday. Team members need to stay in pairs (or 3's etc.) and **may not share sleeping quarters with family members.**

Team members have sleeping bags and, if necessary, the team can use their own bus to pick up and drop off team members to their home each day. If families are able to assist with transport to and from Xavier Catholic College each day this would be much appreciated.

NET Ministries is a Catholic youth ministry that has been operating in Australia since 1988. The team from NET ministries are from various parts of the world and volunteer one year of their life to facilitate retreats for students across Australia. To minimise costs (NET Ministry volunteers are unpaid) — team members are billeted in pairs by members of the school community where they work. In the past, team members have typically preferred to rest after each day's ministry — families are not expected to arrange tours of the local area etc. as might be appropriate for exchange students etc.

Additional details on NET Ministries are available from their website: www.netministries.com.au

Yours sincerely,

Mr David Eyles
Leader of School Evangelisation

Please return this form to Mr Eyles or a Youth Ministry Officer as soon as possible.

Host Family Sheet for NET Ministries in Ballina
Wednesday, 11th March until Monday morning 16th March 2020

Name of student: _____ Homeroom: _____

Parent/Guardian name: _____

We can provide accommodation + breakfast and dinner for

- () 2 () Male team members
() 3 () Female team members
() 4

We can provide accommodation for

- ☐ **All five nights of their stay in Ballina**
☐ **Three nights** ☐ Wednesday – Friday ☐ Friday - Saturday
☐ **Two nights** ☐ Wed/Thurs ☐ Saturday/Sunday

Residential Address: _____

(On Wednesday, the Team may be relying on GPS navigators to drop team members off.)

Phone: _____

Any other relevant details (vegetarian household, gluten free meals available, aggressive pets, etc.)

**Families hosting team members will be contacted as soon as
billeting arrangements are finalised.**