

LIT SUMMER 2025 – WEEK 1 WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU COME!

WEDNESDAY 22 JANUARY TO SUNDAY 26 JANUARY 2025

We hope you are excited about LIT Summer 25 and looking forward to an awesome week at Port Hacking! We have a brilliant program organised that will encourage you in your faith, equip you as a leader, as well as be a lot of fun. We look forward to creating many memories with you all on #litsummer25 so please share the fun with us all!

1. Prepare for Camp

To prepare for LIT it would be great to read John 18-21. A sample program is included at the end of this document as an advanced reference of what you can expect on camp. If you would like some further orientation as to what to expect, please <u>download and read through the Social Story for LIT Summer 2025</u> from our website FAQs.

On the last night we have a big dinner and theme night! The theme for this year's is "Making A Comeback". Grab your friends, get your creative juices flowing, and put together your best comeback related costume for our theme night. Need some inspiration? What's the best sporting comeback? What is a trend you think should make a comeback? What is something that should never make a comeback? Get your friends together to come up with the best comeback related costume for the theme night!! We can't wait to see what you come up with!!

2. Rooming

Room groups are chosen on the first day of camp in Stages after some time getting to know other people. Here's approximately how it works:

- When you arrive at your stage time you will choose a cabin with friends (old or potential new ones).
- If you wish to be in a cabin with particular people you should seek to stick together when this process happens. This is your time to make it happen so speak up so your leaders can assist if necessary.
- Please come with a welcoming heart to include those who may have come by themselves or who might be nervous in making new friends.
- If this particularly causes you anxiety, then <u>make yourself known to leaders and your stage directors at check-in</u> time so they can look after you well before it starts.

We are using **Tents again this Summer** to accommodate you all at week 1.

- This year, approximately 28 x Stage 2 and 10 x Stage 3 campers will need to be in tents this is about a 50:50 split male/female.
- The tents are spacious canvas tents you can stand up in and come equipped with 2 x stretcher beds, mattresses, pillows and an LED lantern.
- We will ask for volunteers to fill the tents when rooming happens.
- If you prefer rooming with less people, rooms that cool naturally at night and want to be part of the tent city party then please come ready to pair up with a buddy and make yourself known to the leaders that you'd like to do this.

3. COVID-19 Information

In line with advice received from the NSW Government please follow their guidance on when to test and when to self-isolate. Please stay home from LIT if appropriate. We also ask that you would continue to practice good hygiene during camp, and of course feel at liberty to bring a mask to LIT Summer and wear it at any time.





4. Contact on Camp

Parents, if you need to contact us during camp you can contact either:

- The Camp Director, Matt Bartlett on 0416 084 115.
- Our ministry project coordinator, Paul Rees, on 8268 3355. Leave a voicemail if he misses your call &/or try him on 0422 526 958 and he will attempt to connect you with the right person on site ASAP.

We understand that sometimes parents will need to contact their children on camp, and vice versa. Please be aware that we request campers are only using their phones during free time and that somewhat sparingly so that they are present on camp.

We also are aware that some young people will feel unwell/anxious/home sick/overwhelmed during camp and may tell you they want to go home. If your child tells you they are having issues on <u>camp please have them speak to their connect group leader and stage director</u> about this as early as possible so we can seek to help. Please also speak to their stage director and/or our camp director before making any decision about leaving camp.

5. Getting to LIT Summer 2025 – Week 1

<u>Youthworks Conference Centres – Port Hacking (Rathane Rd, Royal National Park) [map link]</u>

Scott and Cassie are driving carpools (details below) if you'd like to drive your own kids or organise another carpool, then please let Scott know.

Leaving:
Wednesday
22nd January
12:20pm
Wilton Anglican Church
For a 12:30pm-sharp departure time

Arriving:
Sunday
26th January
Wilton Anglican Church
4pm arrival time





What to bring to camp

Please see the following list of what you will need to bring for camp.

Please read through it carefully and if you have any questions email ministrysupport@youthworks.net.

WHAT TO BRING

NIV Bible		Toiletries					
Pen		Clothes for cool and warm weather (it still gets					
Water Bottle		cool at night)					
Bed sheet (at least a bottom sheet)		Pyjamas					
Pillow slip		Hat & Sunscreen					
Sleeping bag or doona		Face mask if desired					
Beach towel		Closed shoes for orderlies					
Bath towel		Thongs					
Swimmers - rash shirt & boardies (everyone must wear a ras	hie 8	& board shorts when swimming)					
Clothes that can get dirty & wet. There will be a colour run type activity where you will need to get hosed dowr at the end or jump in the river to wash off.							
Day Pack/Back Pack for Stage 2 and 3 especially. as you will for large portions of the day.	be o	n the opposite sides of the site from your room:					
Any medication you may need, clearly labelled and with a note explaining what needs to be taken and when (please let your stage directors know if you need to take any medication when you arrive at camp).							
Your costume for theme night 'Making A Comeback'							

There will be a book shop with a small selection of resources available on camp. You are welcome to bring money for this but it is your responsibility to look after it. We will have EFTPOS available.

Some guidance about clothing...

Think about what you wear and its suitability for camp. You need to be able to run around, sit on the floor and join in activities. We encourage shorts not to be too short, singlets to be modest and stomachs to be covered.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

Nuts or any nut products
Cigarettes & e-cigarettes
Alcohol
Illegal drugs
Electronic devices are brought at your own risk, and should be kept in your rooms. You will not have access to wifi at camp.
Jewellery and watches are brought at your own risk.





Example Program

Stage 1 Program - Summer Week 1

		Program - Sumn			
22/01/25	23/01/25	24/01/25	25/01/25	26/01/25	
	Fitness of Death	Fitness of Death	Fitness of Death	Fitness of Death	
	Orderlies	Orderlies	Orderlies	Orderlies	
	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	
				Pack up Rooms / Site	
	Connect Groups	Connect Groups	Connect Groups	Teaching Target Groups	
	Time With God	Time With God	Time With God	Time With God	
	Training Workshops Foundations For Leadership (Deer Park Meeting Room)	Teaching Target Groups	Teaching Target Groups	Connect Groups	
	Morning Tea	Morning Tea	Morning Tea	Morning Tea	
			-	The Gathering	
	Training Workshop The BIG Bible Story (Deer Park Meeting Room)	Training Workshop Foundations for Kids Ministry (Deer Park Meeting Room)	Training Workshop Following Jesus at School (Deer Park Meeting Room)		
	Orderlies	Orderlies	Orderlies		
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch		
				Lunch	
		_		Campers Leave	
	Arvo Time	Arvo Time	Arvo Time		
	Compulsory Fun	Free time	Free time		
Campers Arrive	Arvo tea	Arvo tea Free time	Arvo tea Taking it Home		
Welcome (REC Hall)	- ·	Free time	Taking it nome		
Stage Orientation	Free time				
Inc. Connect Group					
	Prayer Gps	Prayer Gps	Prayer Gps		
	Leaders Meeting	Leaders Meeting	Leaders Meeting		
Allocate rooms	Return to Site (Dpark)	Return to Site (Dpark)	Return to Site (Dpark)		
Orderlies	Orderlies	Orderlies	Orderlies		
Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Theme Dinner		
The Gathering	The Gathering	The Gathering	The Gathering		
Supper @ D.Park	Supper @ D.Park	Supper @ D.Park	Last Night Celebrations		
Bedtime	Bedtime	Bedtime			
			Return to Site Supper		

