



## MEDIA RELEASE

# CAMP KULIN 2017 GETS OFF TO A BIG START

**February 2017**

It has been a big start to the year for the Camp Kulin team. Over the past 6 weeks, 176 campers from across the WA and 52 volunteer camp counsellors from around Australia and overseas travelled to Kulin to take part in the nationally recognised program.

Campers travelled from as far away as Newman in the north and Esperance in the south to attend Camp Kulin. This included over 100 scholarship campers who have been affected by torture or trauma situations who were sponsored by generous donors to attend a session over summer.

Camp counsellors volunteered 6,278 hours of their time (equivalent to \$156,950 of time) to run over 20,000 minutes of activities for our campers this summer. The youngest camp counsellor was 16 years old, and the oldest camp counsellor was 75 years old. Camp counsellors came from right across the state, with 37 Perth metro camp counsellors, 13 regional camp counsellors, one interstate camp counsellor who travelled from Canberra and one international camp counsellor who travelled from South Africa. Camp Kulin staff travelled over 4,000km to pick up camp counsellors and campers from the Perth Metropolitan Area and bring them to camp.

Food wise, Camp Kulin made their way through over one tonne of food, including 136kg salad ingredients, 155kg meat, 1400 pieces of fruit, 1260 bread rolls, 3300 pieces of bread, 144 litres milk, 118kg lasagne, 37kg condiments and 51kg cheese.

“Our 2017 Summer Season has been massive, with 100% positive feedback from campers, parents and volunteers,” Camp Kulin Manager Tanya Dupagne said. “Campers learnt many important life skills, including leadership, respect, trust, confidence, self esteem, perseverance, persistence and emotional regulation. We would like to thank everyone who made it a summer to remember.”

Applications will open later this month for campers and volunteers for Camp Kulin’s April, July and October school holiday camps.

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