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Parents/Guardians:

Training at Palmyra Dragway for the Human Powered Vehicle teams is starting this term in preparation for the upcoming BHP Whitsunday STEM Challenge 18 hour Endurance Race to be held over the weekend of **8 & 9 June**, at the Palmyra Dragway, Mackay. Palmyra Dragway is located at 2 Bells Road Palmyra.

These training sessions will be held on **Sunday 12 May, Friday 17 May** and **Sunday 26 May**. Parents are responsible for transportation to and from the venue on the **12 & 26 May**. Students can be dropped off after 10.00am and picked up prior to 4.00pm each training session.

The session at Palmyra on **Friday 17 May** commences with a race between the Mackay Mayor – Greg Williamson, Jim Ford, Rob Kidd and other local celebrities. Following the race, students have been invited to hone their skills against the drag tree (lights used by drivers of drag cars to start racing). This is an important practice session, as the grid allocation for the BHP Whitsunday STEM Challenge is completed using the drag tree. Mercy will provide transport to this event and parents will be required to collect students from the Dragway, between 5:30pm and 6:00pm.

Students must have their own bike helmet and sun glasses (sun safety glasses) and gloves whilst riding in the Human Powered vehicle. They are asked to bring food and water for training sessions and on Sunday trainings, may bring a bike to ride on the track. Phones can be used for calling parents/guardians or emergency contacts.

For your child to attend these sessions, could you please complete the attached slip and return it to the Office by **Thursday 9 May**, giving permission for them to be a part of the HPV Team and also attend training sessions and races.

Mercy College looks forward to offering this exceptional experience to your student.

Regards

Mr Michael Duggan
HPV Coordinator

Mr Jim Ford
Principal

Mercy College Mackay
HPV (Human Powered Vehicle) Team Permission Slip

Please complete and return to the Office by 9/05/2019 - DUG

I _____ give permission for my child
_____ Homeroom _____ to be a part of and
participate in, activities involved with the HPV Team at the College.

Please tick session available for training

- 12 May training session – Sunday Session 10.00am - 4.00pm
- 17 May Training session – Friday Session 1.00 – 6.00pm
- 26 May Training session – Sunday Session 10.00am – 4.00pm

Parent/Guardian signature

Date