

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST VERBIER SKI TOUR

2009 Summer Holidays - 9th-21st January 2009

If you are interested in this predominantly skiing tour, please fill in the attached 'Expression of Interest' form and *return it completed to the designated drop box at Staff Reception* or directly to Mr Cutchie by **MONDAY MAY 12**.

A **Snowsports Information Evening** will be held on **WEDNESDAY MAY 7** at 7.00pm in the **FRASER SMITH LECTURE THEATRE**. Information about the Verbier tour as well as other ski camps and programs offered by Scotch will be available on this evening.

Expected Trip Cost: approx. \$4500

INCLUDES:

- Accommodation in luxurious Swiss style chalets 2 to 4 bedded rooms with private bathroom
- 7 days full-board with 4 meals and drinks
- Transfer Geneva - Verbier – Geneva
- Skiboats and skis or snowboard rentals for 6 days
- 6 days skipass
- 6 half days ski or snowboard lessons with professional instructors
- 6 half days ski and snowboard guiding with professional counsellors
- Fully supervised après-ski activities, swimming, ice skating, etc.
- Fully supervised night activities like sledging, broom hockey, torch light walk, curling, disco...
- Free use of our games-room and film theatre
- Free use of the indoor swimming pool and the ice-skating ring
- Program ends with Ski test, Ski competition, BBQ and prize giving
- Three day stopover in Paris, France

FACTS:

- World class ski resort in Switzerland, which offers **450 km of ski runs, over 70 different trails**
- 120 cable cars/lifts connected in the Les 4 Vallées
- Advanced – 19%; Intermediate – 45%; Beginner 36%.
- More information: www.verbier.ch

The trip is only open to students who will be in Years 9, 10 or 11 in 2009.

Friday 18th April

Dear Parent,

This is to advise that the Vice Principal has given his consent for me to organise an international ski tour to Verbier in Switzerland. This tour is designed to run as an extension to the skiing program that the school runs each year through the interschool competitive program as well as the camps program, all of which offers outlets for beginner, intermediate and advanced skiers. The Verbier trip is aimed at intermediate and advanced skiers who are looking for greater variety and challenge.

Following the immense success of earlier trips to Whistler and the tremendously positive feedback from all participants and parents, we have tentatively reserved places for Scotch students to depart Tullamarine (subject to flights) on Friday January 9th, and returning on Wednesday 21st January 2009. We had intended to return to Whistler, but rising costs leading up to the 2010 Winter Olympics have forced us to find another location. We have also moved the trip to January to reduce the pressure on your son at midterm whilst also making the most of great snow conditions.

We will again be booking through Les Elfes, the educational exchange organisation based in Verbier, Switzerland, as we found them to be highly organised, professional and amenable to our needs.

The anticipated cost of the trip is approximately \$4500-\$5000, which includes return flights, all meals, lift passes, equipment hire, insurance, seven nights' accommodation in Verbier plus a three day stopover in Paris on the return journey. The final figure will depend on the exchange rate and any airport/airline taxes at the time of departure.

If you are interested in receiving further details about this trip in due course then kindly complete the form below and return it to me at School.

Kind Regards,

Cameron Cutchie
TIC Snowsports

Mr Cutchie

Please include my son on the list of boys who would like to receive further information about the Verbier Ski Trip in January 2009.

STUDENT NAME: _____

SCHOOL No: _____ **TUTOR GROUP:** _____

NOMINATE TWO TEACHERS AS REFEREES:

1. _____

2. _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

EMAIL: _____

DATE: _____