

24 April 2009

Dear parents and students,

Thank you for your interest in the fantastic opportunities available to your son through the 2009 Ski Tour to Niseko, Japan. This trip has risen out of student enthusiasm and drive to visit the very popular Japanese ski fields best known for their deep powder snow with up to 16 metres of snowfall each year.

Niseko's ski area is made up of three resorts, with 61 runs, 38 lifts and gondolas, and over 47 kms of groomed slopes. For easy access, the three resorts are interlinked during the day by lifts and free shuttle buses. For experts who want more, Niseko's backcountry terrain covers over 30 square kilometres. Niseko-Hirafu resort conditions are primarily intermediate class. Whilst offering challenging slopes for advanced skiers, Niseko also caters for the first time skier or boarder.

The cost of this trip will be \$3500 plus spending money. We recommend a modest amount of spending money not in excess of \$500. Costs include airfares, taxes, transfers, accommodation, travel insurance, lifting, breakfast and dinner each day, and a Tokyo stopover. It does not include lunch daily or ski hire, although excellent discount rates have been offered to our group if boys do not wish to take their own gear.

Itinerary

Saturday Dec 12– Melbourne to Sapporo via Sydney and Tokyo; embus to luxury Hokkaido Tracks apartments in central Hirafu Village

Sunday Dec 13

to - Skiing

Friday Dec 18

Saturday Dec 19– Debus to Sapporo and fly to Tokyo for sightseeing and overnight stay

Sunday Dec 20 – Tokyo to Melbourne via Sydney

Additional Costs

- Ski Hire \$150 approx. (Price depends on specific gear required)
- Lunch \$10-\$20 per day.

Payment

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| Non-refundable Deposit | - \$1000 | Due: May 29 th |
| Instalment One | - \$1000 | Due: July 17 th |
| Instalment Two | - \$1500 | Due: September 10 th |

All payments can be made directly at the Accounts Department under account name "Japan Ski Tour". In the event of a cancellation all refundable monies will be reimbursed. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at school on 9810 4321, or via email at cameron.cutchie@scotch.vic.edu.au.

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 Sowsports
Japan Trip coordinator

Mr Cutchie

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

STUDENT NAME: _____

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

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

EMAIL: _____

DATE: _____