

4 June 2007

Dear parent

Your son has expressed an interest in representing Scotch College in the Victorian Interschool Snowsports Championships, to be held at Mount Buller on Wednesday 29th to Friday 31st August (for Prep to Year 6). The Cross Country competition will be held on Sunday 5th August. Scotch College will enter teams in every event of every division. A draft timetable is available from www.interschools.org.au.

Teams for this competition will be chosen based on the results of the school Snowsports trials, which will be held on **Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd July** at Mt Buller. Trials will be held for alpine, snowboard, moguls and cross-country events. Refer to the selection policy in the parents' handbook. Please note that **helmets are compulsory** except for cross-country.

It is the parents' responsibility to arrange transport to and from the mountain and that boys are in the care of their parents at all times. Staff will not be responsible for boys on the mountain during the trials weekend or at any other time.

Downhill skiing and snowboarding Trials

Boys should meet at the top of the course on Little Buller Spur at **12.45pm** for a 1.00pm start on Sunday 22nd July. Boys will complete two runs through gates for each event they wish to contest. Scotch College has been allocated 140 trial times for Junior and Senior school. Boys will get two runs each.

Mogul Trials

Trials will be held **at 3:30pm** on Saturday 21st July. Attendance is compulsory for any boy wishing to participate in this event at Interschools. Please meet for this **15 minutes prior to start time** at Bluff View (Top of Blue Bullet 1 chairlift).

Lift Tickets

Boys/parents will need to organise their own lift ticket for the trials.

On-Mountain Training

We have reserved 40 spaces for **Alpine** race training beginning at **9.00am** and 40 places for **Mogul** race training beginning at **11.00am** on Saturday 21st July. Please meet for this **15 minutes prior to start time** at Bluff View (Top of Blue Bullet 1 chairlift). The cost of these training sessions is \$40 per person. Please indicate your interest on the reply sheet at the end of this letter.

Cross-country Trials

Trials will be held at 9:00am on Sunday 22nd July for classic and skating (relay) events. The course for this is yet to be confirmed.

Cross-training

Dry-land training has officially begun on Tuesday mornings at 7.00am in the Cardinal Pavilion weight room. This is available to Junior and Senior School participants in all of the above events. Sessions last for approximately one hour and will consist of plyometric and core-stability exercises.

Uniform and equipment

Where possible, boys should wear the Snowsports vest, long-sleeved shirt and beanie. A discount off rental equipment has been negotiated for Scotch families at Pension Grimus (across Bourke St from the ABOM). EMC at 68 Whitehorse Rd, Deepdene, also offers excellent deals for Scotch families.

Social function

A reminder that there is a social function on Saturday 21st July at Mount Buller. Further details are available from the Snowsports Club committee.

At all times your son should be in the care of a parent or guardian. The Scotch College Junior School staff members attending the events will not be responsible for your sons.

Helmets are compulsory during all races and training sessions. Please note the helmet must be a proper ski helmet (a bike helmet is not acceptable.) For the safety of your son please ensure the helmet is correctly fitted.

For more information on Snowsports at Scotch College Junior School, go to the home page (<http://www.scotch.vic.edu.au/Adminjs/Adminjs.htm>) and follow the snowsports link. You should refer to this site for forms and other information relating to the Interschools.

Please complete and return the slip below and return to Mr Johnson or the Junior School office by **Thursday 14th June.**

Yours Sincerely,

Tim Johnson
Teacher in Charge of Snowsports
Scotch College Junior School

Grant Phillips
Deputy Head
Scotch College Junior School

**Scotch College Snowsports
Interschools trials reply form**

To Mr Johnson

Student number	Surname	First name	Form

would like to trial for the Scotch College Interschools Snowsports Championships team.

Event	Please tick your requirements	Cost
Snowboarding		\$32
Alpine		\$32
Moguls		\$24
Cross-Country		\$24
Moguls training		\$40
Race training		\$40
Total		\$

I authorise Scotch College to charge the above sum to my school account.

Parent/Guardian's name: _____

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____

Date: _____