



St Patrick's Parish School, Cooma

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Dear Parents/Carers

Secondary Snowsports Program Term 3 2018

Thank you for your interest in St Patrick's Secondary Snowsports program. The purpose of this letter is to give you details of the 2018 program and request that fees and the attached permission notes are returned to the office by Wednesday 25 July (Week 1 Term 3).

The primary and secondary programs will run on the same days at the same time, however secondary students will be in high school lessons, unless numbers of students with similar skill levels are too small. If this occurs students of similar skill level will be combined together.

Title of Excursion	Primary and Secondary Snowsports	
Date/s of excursion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monday 30 July ▪ Tuesday 31 July ▪ Thursday 9 August ▪ Friday 10 August 	Note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students can attend a maximum of 4 days Snowsports
Destination	Perisher Resort, accessed from Smiggins Holes	
Supervising Teacher/s	At least 2 secondary and 3 primary teachers will accompany students. Parental help may be required for the Primary program.	
Time and place of departure	8:00am leave St Patrick's Cooma 8:30am leave Berridale (Arlberg ski centre) 8:55am leave Jindabyne (Old shopping centre lower carpark)	
Time and place of return (approximately)	4:10pm Jindabyne 4:35pm Berridale 5:00pm Cooma	
Transportation	Bus	
Cost	See on next pages	Final date for payment to Office: Wednesday 25 July
Special requirements or equipment	All permission notes and money needs to be paid to the office by Wednesday 25 July. If you intend to participate, and would like to pay in installments please make a note of this on the payment slip.	

Normal lessons will continue at school on each of the days of the Snowsports program for Secondary students. An alternate program will run for those students still at school in Primary. Secondary students participating in the Snowsports program are expected to catch up missed work in their own time.

PROGRAM DETAILS (SECONDARY)

Equipment required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All students must wear a helmet (unless participating in XC skiing), carry sunscreen, have goggles and suitable clothing for Snowsports Hire of equipment is not included in costs and is the responsibility of each student Snowboarders must wear wrist guards It is recommended that if students have a mobile phone that they bring it Secondary students can purchase lunch at various eateries on the mountain if they wish.
Outline of time on snow at Perisher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 10:00am Arrive at Smiggins and lift/lesson tickets distributed ➤ 10:30am All students start their 4 hour lesson ➤ 12:30pm Students will be given the opportunity for a break. These breaks will be negotiated with the instructor, and could happen at various venues around Perisher with their instructors. XC skiers will have lunch at the Perisher Nordic Shelter. ➤ 1:00-2:30pm Students will continue in their lesson ➤ 2.30-3.20pm Students will have free skiing in groups of three or more ➤ 3:20pm Back at Bus ➤ 3:30pm Students on bus ready to depart
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any unsafe behaviour of student can result in them not being allowed to ski/board. This will be a decision made by the teachers. All students will carry a contact card. This will have their name, school, school mobile number and ski patrol number Students and parents must have read the Alpine Responsibility Code attached You must indicate your child's skiing/boarding ability on the attached form. Skiing and Boarding ability will ultimately be determined by the Smiggins Instructors. Due to DoE and Catholic Education guidelines this year Perisher is only offering 4 hour lessons. Local schools are getting these at a very good price and should allow students to progress their skiing or boarding. Free skiing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will only apply to Secondary students ○ Will be limited ○ Students must ski/board in a group of at least 3 students, never on their own. Someone in this group must have a mobile phone ○ Parents can request that their child is closely supervised by a teacher during free skiing
Emergency	<p>If there is an accident the student or those in their group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contacts the school mobile and waits for instructions If serious enough, alert ski patrol A teacher will immediately be despatched to the accident site Students can be taken to the Perisher Medical centre. Parents must be prepared to pay for all costs incurred at the Medical Centre.
Medical information	<p>It is the responsibility of the parent to make sure the school office has the most up to date medical information for each child.</p> <p>This medical information will be taken to Perisher Valley each day and kept by the teacher in charge.</p>

Expectations:

Snowsports is a privilege and requires students to be sensible, act safely and demonstrate a sense of belonging to the school. It is expected that all assessment tasks are up to date to a satisfactory standard.

If a student cannot demonstrate these qualities at school, they could be excluded from participating in Snowsports. This decision will be made by school staff in consultation with Mr Lawley, Mr Introna and Mr Joyce.

COSTS

SEASON PASS HOLDERS	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days
	\$55.00	\$110.00	\$165.00	\$220.00
NON-SEASON PASS HOLDERS	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days
	\$85.00	\$170.00	\$255.00	\$340.00
CROSS COUNTRY SKIING	1 Day		2 Days	
	\$ 45		\$ 90	
Cost includes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National park entry Bus transport Lift ticket for non-season pass holders (No lift cost for XC) 4hr lesson from 10:30am 			
HIRE COSTS: Please note that hiring equipment is the responsibility of parents to do the day BEFORE the program. Local snowsport shops have in the past supported our program through cheaper hire costs. Please mention that you are doing school snowsports with St Pats when you hire.				
Cancellations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your child is ill or does not attend a Snowsport day which you have paid for, a refund of their lift pass only will be arranged. Students will still be expected to pay the cost for the bus and instructor regardless of attendance, once they have committed to the program. If a student gives enough warning that they cannot attend we may be able to replace them on the bus. However, there is no guarantee this can happen. It will be case by case arrangement. 			
Cancellations on the morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your child is unwell on a day they are to attend the program they need to ring the school mobile phone 0409 521 721 before 7:30am. 			

Full payment must be made by Wednesday 25 July

What now?

Students participating are required to complete the attached Program Permission note, Payment Details and Ability statement, and return to the Office with payment by **Wednesday 25 July at the latest**. Please note if there is an overwhelming interest in the program it may be a matter of "first in, best dressed" due to the limited number of bus seats. If you have any specific queries about the ski program, please contact Mr Lawley.

Yours faithfully



Frances Robertson
Principal



Tim Lawley
Snowsports Coordinator

SNOWSPORTS PROGRAM 2018

Student Details	Name: _____ Year: _____ Homeroom: _____		
	Student Mobile Number: _____ (to be carried by students on Snowsports days)		
Bus Travel (tick appropriate box)	Morning Pick-up Cooma <input type="checkbox"/> Berridale <input type="checkbox"/> Jindabyne <input type="checkbox"/>	Afternoon Drop-off Cooma <input type="checkbox"/> Berridale <input type="checkbox"/> Jindabyne <input type="checkbox"/>	
Parent Details	Name: _____	Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Emergency Contact: _____	

I would like to ski/board for:	1 day <input type="checkbox"/>	2 days <input type="checkbox"/>	3 days <input type="checkbox"/>	4 days <input type="checkbox"/>
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Days I can attend	Monday 30 July	Tuesday 31 July	Thursday 9 August	Friday 10 August
Skiing (tick)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boarding (tick)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cross Country (tick)			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The student's ability will ultimately be assessed by the Perisher Instructors. They will have the final say as to which lesson group the students go into.	Advanced Student enjoys skiing/riding off-piste, groomed black runs (Mt Perisher, Parachute, Zali's), and deep powder snow. Student is familiar with boxes, rails and getting air in the terrain parks (Piper's).	Intermediate Student prefers blue runs but can attempt black runs. Student is not confident on deep powder snow, nor in the terrain park but is willing to ski off-piste if conditions are suitable. Student is confident using a T-bar.	Beginner Student prefers green runs, and avoids off-piste and terrain parks. Student may not be confident using a T-bar.	First Timer Student has never skied/snowboarded before this Snowsports program (a first timer skier may be a competent snowboarder and vice-versa though).
	Ski <input type="checkbox"/> or Board <input type="checkbox"/> or XC <input type="checkbox"/>	Ski <input type="checkbox"/> or Board <input type="checkbox"/> or XC <input type="checkbox"/>	Ski <input type="checkbox"/> or Board <input type="checkbox"/> or XC <input type="checkbox"/>	Ski <input type="checkbox"/> or Board <input type="checkbox"/> or XC <input type="checkbox"/>

- I acknowledge that to the best of my knowledge the information provided is correct
- I have updated my child's medical information at the school office
- I understand I will have to pay for treatment at the Perisher Medical centre if my child is injured
- I acknowledge that my child has read and understood the Alpine Responsibility Code and Lift Usage Policy (<http://www.perisher.com.au/resort-information/snow-safety.php>).

Signed (by parent/carer): _____ Date: _____

SNOWSPORTS PAYMENT SLIP

I _____ permit _____
(Name of Parent) (Name of Student) (Homeroom)

to take part in the Snowsports Program. I understand and agree with the activities of and arrangements made for the excursion. During the excursion, I delegate my authority to the supervising staff involved in the excursion. The staff may take necessary disciplinary action, to ensure the safety, wellbeing and successful conduct of the students.

In the event of illness or an accident that requires medical attention, I permit supervising staff to seek necessary medical attention on behalf of my child and I agree to be responsible for any costs incurred through such action. This may include the cost of an ambulance.

PAYMENT DETAILS: I enclose \$ _____ Cash/Cheque payable to St Patrick's Parish School, Cooma, OR please deduct \$ _____ from my Visa/Mastercard No. _____ Expiry: __/__/__

Cardholder Signature: _____ Date: _____

THIS PAGE MUST BE RETURNED WITH PAYMENT TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 25 JULY 2018