

Year 3 to 6 Jindabyne Snow and Ski Camp Confirmation/Waitlist Note 2021

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

This year's ski trip is our most popular yet!!! Due to the high demand for places, which resulted in more than 50 students paying in 3 days, we now have *two buses and 72 accommodation places booked*. This is the maximum number of places Jindabyne Sport and Recreation Centre can accommodate for 2021. We are very grateful they have been so accommodating. This means that we will have a lodge of 40 male students and a lodge of 32 female students. These are the two lodges that were allocated to our school. We have selected the lodge of 40 to be for boys, as more boys had paid deposits and more boys were on the initial waitlist. We have already booked 100 places for our 2022 trip!

Currently, there are 29 girls with places on the excursion and 29 boys. We have opened the extra placed on the Ski Trip up to Year 6 students only for today and tomorrow. This is because it is their last chance to attend this amazing excursion. Should the remaining places (3 for girls, 11 for boys) not be taken by Year 6 students, we will invite other students to attend - Years 3 to 5 students who are on the waitlist. There are currently 9 additional students on the waitlist. Places on the waitlist will be filled in order of who was first placed on the waitlist, regardless of their grade/year level. If no Year 6 students require a place today or tomorrow, all waitlist students will be invited.

This excursion is a memorable part of each child's learning experience and it links to the curriculum. Classes will still operate for those not attending. Some classes may be combined depending on final attendance numbers/organisation. Students attending the excursion should discuss whether they will have catch up work with their teacher. You may also like to contact your child's class teacher during the week following the excursion, to see if there is anything your child has missed that they may need to follow up on.

As previously shared, this year's Ski Trip will take place for **three days and two nights (July 14 – July 16)**. More details about the excursion, what should be packed and the itinerary of activities will be sent home in Term 2. All skis, helmets, ski passes, bus transfers, ski tube transfers and accommodation is included in the excursion. All meals are included, aside of your child's morning tea/lunch on the first day.

Students will need to try on their ski clothing and thermals in the coming months, to make sure they still fit. Ski clothing needs to be taken to the excursion. If your child does not have a ski suit, or ski pants and a jacket, gloves or goggles, there are quite often many available in Vinnies in Bega. You may even be able to borrow items of a friend. Alternately, students can hire ski clothing/gloves/goggles from Jindabyne Sport and Recreation Centre. More details on how to hire items will be shared in the Term 2 note. Items you can hire are usually around \$10-\$20 for the entire excursion.

If your child has an Asthma/Emergency/Anaphylaxis Plan, please make sure that it is updated/up to date for the excursion, if needed.





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As with all 2021 excursions, students with flu-like symptoms will not be able to attend the excursion, and will need to be collected from the excursion should they present with flu-like symptoms when on it. As per Department policy, students will need a negative COVID test to return to school/excursions, and must be free of flu-like symptoms. As per school policy, students on Behaviour Monitoring or who have been recently suspended may also be unable to attend the excursion.

<u>At this stage, the teachers attending the Ski Trip include</u>: Ms Michelle Hulme (Principal), Mr Craig Morris (FM Teacher), Miss Caitlin Patterson (Year 6 Teacher) and Mr Shane Doherty (Year 4 Teacher), Mrs Amanda Fowler (Japanese Teacher) and Ms Jodi Vaughan (Kindy Teacher).

Your child ______ of class _____ has (at March 23):

Paid the full \$650 for the 2021 Jindabyne Snow and Ski Camp and has a confirmed place*.

Paid \$______, meeting their full \$200 excursion deposit commitment (or more) and has a confirmed place on the 2021 Year Ski/Snow Camp*. Please ensure that the following instalments are made on time to retain your child's place on the excursion (INSTALMENTS DUE: \$200 by Thursday, May 13 (Week 4 Term 2); \$200 by Wednesday, June 2 (Week 7 Term 2). Failure to make instalments on time may result in your child being placed on a waitlist/withdrawn.

Is on a waitlist for the Ski Trip. Your child's place on the waitlist is #______ (boy/girl). We will let you know ASAP if a place becomes available for your child. If invited to the Ski Trip, please ensure that your child's instalments are made on time, as per the above dates).

*Confirmations may be withdrawn if:

(a) The excursion is cancelled due to low numbers following subsequent instalments;

(b) Your child is withdrawn from the excursion due to illness/behaviour (this may result in them forfeiting their \$200 deposit).

If the excursion is cancelled, due to COVID-19/hot spot concerns, non-payment or other reasons, funds/deposits returned to the school will then be returned to parents/caregivers *IF* possible (following a refund form being completed). Should last minute withdrawals or venue cancellations occur, please be advised that funds may not be able to be returned in full or at all. This is at the discretion of the venue, as agreed in the contract when we book an excursion. Fortunately, NSW has had low transmission rates of COVID-19, and all looks to be fine for ski trips in 2021!

We cannot wait to take part in this amazing experience once again!

Regards,

Michelle Hulme Principal