



20 March 2023

Event	ACT Subaru Interschools Snow Sports Championships		
Location	Perisher Blue Ski Resort		
Date	Tues 18 July – Fri 21 July, 2023	Time	Depart 6:30am on the Tuesday and return at 8:30pm on the Friday
Transport	College Bus – can only take a maximum of 26 students	Uniform	Appropriate ski gear with the Merici College Ski Jacket / Helmet, Face Covering, ski gloves and goggles are compulsory
Cost *	Total cost between \$843 with own lift+tube pass, and \$1528 with 4day lift+tube pass if required at adult rate (15+), \$1328 at child rate (14 and younger) incl. transport, accom and meals, skier reg and entering at least one event.	Contact no.	6243 4100
Return of note/money	Friday 28 th April 2023 (Term 2 Week 1)		

Dear Parent/Guardians and Snow Sports enthusiasts,

ACT Interschools are holding the 2023 Sports competition from Tuesday 18th – Friday 21st July at Perisher Blue Ski Resort. Our Snow-Sports Team has grown over recent years and in 2023 Merici Girls are looking to enter one of our strongest teams ever. With that, on behalf of the College ski team, we extend a warm welcome to new participants. Please refer to the details below prior to granting your daughter permission to attend.

Please remind your daughter that appropriate behaviour is expected at all times as she is a representative of the College. Also, winter sports such as skiing and snowboarding carry risks of injury and other safety concerns, therefore, we ask that your daughter has had some skiing or snowboarding experience and is at least of an intermediate level where she is able to competently turn and stop. Your daughter should be able to confidently ski green and blue runs and be comfortable on less-than-ideal trail conditions. **Note - It is not an event for beginners.**

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact us on 6243 4100 before the excursion.

Yours sincerely, Adrian Heim and Diana Davis (MERICI COLLEGE SNOW SPORT COORDINATORS)

Supervision, Accommodation and Permission

The Snow Sports excursion will be attended by Mr Adrian Heim and Ms Diana Davis as the Merici Snow-Sports Coordinators. We are both experienced and avid skiers - so come sun, sleet, or powder, we are always on the slopes with the girls. We are also both 'Provide First Aid' qualified.

We are anticipating the presence of several parents and strongly encourage them to register on-line as a Team Manager and/or a Racecourse Volunteer - and generally be on the snow with the girls. The involvement of parents simply makes the excursion safer for all and is the difference between a good time and a great time!

Group accommodation is at The Station Hotel in Jindabyne. Rooms are blocked adjacent to each other, and each room accommodates up to 6. It is a relaxed, fun atmosphere where girls can meet students from other schools with lots of team interaction and making friends - particularly at mealtimes. We have 5 rooms booked accommodating up to 30 at this stage - it is 'first in best dressed'. Girls can of course stay with their parents in their own lodgings; however, we very much encourage them to stay with the Team at The Station Hotel, Jindabyne for a valuable team bonding experience.

As this is an overnight excursion requiring approval by Catholic Education, included with this letter is an additional consent form titled "Snow Sports 2023 - CE Permission note - cat C & D Excursions". This form must be completed in full and returned along with this signed permission slip. **Permission notes including medical details, along with payment in full, must be returned to the Finance Office no later than Friday 28th April 2023 (Term 2 Week 1).**

Note: This excursion will only proceed subject to approval by Catholic Education.

Races and Events

These include Giant Slalom, Ski Cross, Moguls and even Nordic Skiing (cross country) that cater well to almost all standards of skiers and boarders from early intermediates to expert and advanced.

Most events require a team of 4 and the top 3 results count towards team results.

Also, there are individual results and placings for each event.

So that team lists can be prepared before they are submitted to ACT Interschools, please indicate on the slip provided the events that your daughter will be competing in and return with this permission slip. Each event costs \$51.

Snow Racer Snow ID

All Participants need to have an active Snow racer Snow ID. If you have entered the Championships before, you will have a Snow ID already, but it will need to be renewed and activated for the upcoming year. New participants will need to sign up for Snow racer to receive a Snow ID. To renew or register:

<https://www.interschools.com.au/home-nsw-act-qld-sa/> from 1 May 2023. You can look up your Snow racer status to check if you are registered and renewed. Pass your Snow ID to Mr Heim and Ms Davis. We will need to know this number to be able to enter your daughter in the Interschools Online Entry System. Snow racer involves 3 main functions:

- Free membership of Snow Australia, which provides, among other benefits, insurance cover during participation in on-snow events
- Assigning a Snow ID to an individual, which will allow them to be entered into the Interschool Championships and other events.
- An App that features live timing when an event is running.

Team Managers

Each event requires a Team Manager either Mr Adrian Heim, Ms Diana Davis, or an attending parent who is responsible for handing out race bibs to the girls and assembling them at the right time and place for each race.

Note: Team Managers who don't have a season pass must purchase an adult day lift-ticket.

Unfortunately, day tickets are no longer discounted by the resort operator, but their availability is guaranteed.

Waiver forms

In addition to information about skiing events – waiver forms releasing liability in the event of accidental death or injury must be downloaded, signed and submitted by parents in order that their daughter be allowed to participate. The waiver form can be found on the Snow Australia Interschools Website from May 1st, 2023. [Volunteer Course Officials Info Hub - Snow Australia Interschools](#)

Please complete waiver forms online as well as advise which event your daughter will compete in at the same time you submit this permission slip (due date: Friday 28th April) so that we can firm up our team entries early and with certainty.

Parent volunteers

As a college Team, we are required to provide at least one volunteer for every 8 participants to marshal on the course. Marshalling is easy and fun and is as close to the action that you can get – volunteers receive a free lift pass on the day of their allocated duty. It is very important that volunteers understand the various Course Officials roles undertaken at Interschools events and what competition rules they govern before they volunteer. An Online Training Course has been developed for Interschool officials. The course will provide participants with the critical information and resources to be an effective Interschools official. Please click on the following link if you would like to volunteer as a course marshal.

Complete the Officials Training Course and fill out the volunteer waiver form.

[Volunteer Course Officials Info Hub - Snow Australia Interschools](#)

Lift Pass and Ski-Tube

As we are on the go and movement on and off the mountain is pacey, and to avoid having to purchase lift tickets separately in the morning, we require the girls have their lift and ski-tube passes sorted well before the excursion either by:-

- having their own season pass (*preferred option*), a photocopy of which must be submitted to either coordinator by Friday 23rd June 2023. Note: Lift pass MUST include Ski-Tube
- purchasing a lift and tube pass as part of this excursion

Note: Perisher no longer provides students aged 15+ participating in Interschools Events with lift tickets at child rates. See following statement by Interschools :-

Perisher Event Ticketing for July Interschools Championship Events: No reduced day pass ticketing for Competitors and Team Managers will be available at Regional events at Perisher. The normal daily rate will apply, and will be age-specific as per the Perisher day ticket rates for children & adults. Registered Competitors and Team Managers are guaranteed purchase access to a day-pass for their event day. Volunteer Course Officials, as per the published and agreed list, will receive a free-of-charge day pass on the allocated event day.

Equipment

Your daughter must be adequately equipped with suitable snow-gear for the competition prior to departure including:

- goggles and a helmet (compulsory)
- properly adjusted skis and stocks or snowboard as appropriate
- layers of warmth
- sufficient fluids, money for incidentals, sunscreen, etc
- properly fitting boots

(A checklist will be provided)

Note: There will be little or no opportunity to purchase equipment or gear whilst on the excursion.

ACT Interschool's Website

For more information on races and events, being a team manager, waiver forms and volunteering as a race-marshall, as well as lift passes and expectations on equipment please refer to the ACT Inter- Schools snow sports website: <https://www.interschools.com.au/home-nsw-act-qld-sa/>

Excursion Cost

Cost for the excursion varies depending on whether your daughter requires:

- Transport - using the College Bus \$95 (we can only take a maximum of 26 on the bus) – includes the use of a lock-up trailer for all 4 days
- Team Shared Accommodation \$198 and meals \$119 for three nights and days
- Lift and ski-tube passes – at child rate (age 14 and under) is approximately \$485 and \$685 (15+) TBC*
- Tickets for lift or tube *cannot be purchased* on behalf of students *whilst on the excursion*.
- Parents purchasing season passes for their daughter must do so directly with Perisher Blue. It MUST include Ski-Tube.

Optional excursion costs:-

- Given that many students have their own season lift/tube pass and some may have their own lodgings with parents and/or their own transport with parents, these costs are optional. Please tick appropriately when completing the cost section of excursion summary.

The following costs are not optional: -

- the number of events entered - \$51 per event
- skier registration \$30
- supplementation \$95

The supplementation charge of \$95 is added to cover the cost of staff members attending for their accommodation, meals and/or lift passes (if required) as well as incidentals for the girls whilst away e.g. hot chocolates at a café on the slopes. Please ensure your daughter has access to extra funds money for lunch and any personal expenditure.

Behaviour

Please remind your daughter that appropriate behaviour is always expected as she is a representative of our Merici College Community. Failure to cooperate and comply with high standards of behaviour may result in your daughter not competing in the competition.

Students attending an in-house suspension are not allowed to attend SnowSports.

A student's failure to meet the responsibility of returning this permission note and payment by the due date (Friday 28th April 2023) will result in her not attending the competition.

College Fees

Full college fees payable must be up to date to be eligible to participate in Snow-Sports.

Covid Safety Rules

All students must wear a face covering and ski gloves when skiing or boarding on the slopes. Students are encouraged to maintain a 1.5m physical distance wherever possible. No cash will be accepted when purchasing food on the slopes. Hand sanitizer will be provided prior to entering cabins, the food hall and bus. Any student who is feeling unwell will need to go home and student's parents will be contacted to come and pick them up.

Fun and Team Spirit: ...Guaranteed!

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact either Snow Sports coordinator at the school on 6243 4100, or preferably by email to:-

diana.davis@merici.act.edu.au

adrian.heim@merici.act.edu.au

Excursion Summary - Please print and attach the following information with payment details below

Event	A.C.T. Subaru Interschools Snow Sports Championships		
Location	Perisher Blue Ski Resort		
Date	On the snow Tues 18th July – Fri 21st 2023 (3nts at The Station Hotel Jindabyne)		
Timings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bus departs Merici College at 6:30am on Tuesday 18th July • We depart for ski-tube 7:10am sharp daily. Events start from 9:30am • Bus returns to Merici College at approx. 8:30pm on Friday 21st July. 		
Transport	Choice of College Bus or Parents Driving - as well as Ski-Tube		
Accommodation	DETAILS		COST
Meals			PLEASE TICK AS REQUIRED
Transport	Share accommodation	3 nights @\$66/n	\$198
Lift Pass	We have our own accommodation		Nil
Race Entry	Meals- breakfast & dinner	3 days a@ \$39.65	\$119
Registration	No meals required		Nil
Supplementary	Transport – college bus	To and from Canberra and Jindabyne, and daily to and from the ski-tube	\$95
	4-day Ski Tube & Lift Pass	Cost of lift tickets to be confirmed by Resort Operator as of April 2023, parents will be notified of any price adjustments and refunded where necessary	Age 14 and under: (approx.) \$485
	Age 15 and over: (approx.) \$685		
	My daughter has a season ski tube & lift pass		Nil
	Skier registration		\$30
	Race / Event Entry	@\$51 per race	1x Race \$51
			2x Races \$102
			3x Races \$153
	Supplementary	Covers cost of staff – accommodation / meals / lift tickets / incidentals	\$95
	TOTAL COST:		
Note: Please ensure that your daughter has sufficient funds on the excursion to pay for lunch and sundries.			

Race entries	DATE:	EVENT:	DIVISION	TICK TO ENTER
	Wednesday 19 th July	Snowboard Cross	1 (Year 11, 12)	
			2 (Year 9, 10)	
			3 (Year 7, 8)	
		Snowboard GS	1 (Year 11, 12)	
			2 (Year 9, 10)	
			3 (Year 7, 8)	
	DATE:	EVENT:	DIVISION	TICK TO ENTER
	Thursday 20 th July	Alpine	3 (Year 7, 8)	
		Moguls	1 (Year 11, 12)	
			2 (Year 9, 10)	
			3 (Year 7, 8)	
		Ski Cross	1 (Year 11, 12)	
			2 (Year 9, 10)	
	DATE:	EVENT:	DIVISION	TICK TO ENTER
	Friday 21 st July	Alpine	1 (Year 11, 12)	
			2 (Year 9, 10)	
		Multiclass Alpine and Snowboard	All	
		Ski Cross	3 (Year 7, 8)	
	DATE:	EVENT:	DIVISION	TICK TO ENTER
Wednesday 21 st August	Cross Country Events – NSW State Championships	<i>All - Please note that parents will be responsible for supervising their daughter at this event date as staff members are unable to attend.</i>		
Please complete the following:				
Years of skiing / Snowboarding experience				
Private Health Fund		YES / NO		
Medicare number				
Emergency Contact Name				
Emergency Contact Number				
Contact phone no.	0477 729 571 Adrian 0408 482 480 Diana			
Final date for return of note/payment	Friday 28 th April, 2023 (Term 2 Week 1)			

MERICI COLLEGE CREDIT CARD AUTHORITY

Student:	Year & PC:
Teacher:	
Payment For:	
Card No:	Expiry Date:
Amount:	CCV:
Cardholders Name:	
Signature of Cardholder:	
Cardholders Contact Ph. Number:	

Consent Form – Adrian HEIM and Diana DAVIS

Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn Consent Form
 Category C & D Excursions

Excursion To	ACT Subaru Interschools Snow Sports Championships
Date(s)	Tuesday 18 th July – Friday 21 st July 2023
Location	Perisher Blue Ski Resort
Organising Teacher	Diana Davis and Adrian Heim

Student Details			
Surname			
Given Name			
Date of Birth			
Year		PC	

School	Merici College, Braddon, ACT
Emergency Contact	
Name	
Phone	
Relationship	

Student Medical Details			
Please detail any medical conditions and treatment plans for your child, relevant to this excursion that we have not already been notified about.		OR	No changes or new medical information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Student Dietary Requirements Please outline your daughter's special dietary requirements.		OR	No changes or dietary information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Parental Consent

I give my consent for her to participate in this excursion and agree to delegate my authority to the staff and instructors involved. Such teachers and instructors may take appropriate disciplinary action they deem necessary to ensure the safety, wellbeing and successful conduct of the students as a group, or individually in the above-mentioned activity.

I submit the attached medical information about the abovementioned student and include details of limitations, which he/she has for the activities concerned.

If I cannot be contacted to give approval for medical assistance, I authorise the teachers and instructors to obtain medical assistance, which they deem necessary should an accident occur. If I am unable to be contacted to give approval, I further authorise qualified medical practitioners to administer anaesthetic if such an eventuality arises. I agree to pay all medical expenses incurred on behalf of the abovementioned student.

I accept that my child is to behave in an appropriate manner and have explained this obligation to her. I agree that if my child seriously contravenes behavioural expectations she may be immediately excluded.

I give permission for images taken on this excursion of my child to be used by the school in school and system publications, both print and electronic. Please note that Merici can accept the returning of permission notes from a registered parent/guardian email address. There is no need to print and scan

Parent/Guardian Signature	
Date	