General Information about the 2015 PRSHS Snow Trip

The Pine Rivers SHS Snow Trip is a great opportunity for students from years 11 and 12 to learn how to ski or snowboard with a group of their peers, in the NSW Snowy Mountains. Many students say it is one of the best memories they have of their time at school.

Current details of next year’s trip are as follows:

Dates: Saturday 4th July - Saturday 11th July (2nd week of July holidays)

Cost: Basic package cost is usually around $1550 and includes accommodation, breakfasts and dinners, bus transport, 5 day ski lift and lesson ticket, national park entry fees, etc. Hiring of clothes and equipment, lunches and meals while travelling are extra. Total cost should be around $1650 but may be less as it depends on your chosen options. The cost is not finalised at this point as it depends on the number of people travelling and provider price increases for next year.

Place: We stay at Alpine Gables in Jindabyne. We ski and board at Perisher Blue, Snowy Mountains, NSW.

Staff: The staff expected to run the trip next year are Ms Handfield, Mr Hammond, Ms Beasley and Mr Manwaring. All are experienced skiers or snow boarders and have been involved in trips with Pine Rivers over many years. Staff from the school and their families are also invited to attend to help boost numbers and make the trip cheaper for all involved.

Payment: If you would like to participate in the trip, a series of payments will be required. The first payment will be a $400 deposit due by mid-February. Subsequent payments of similar amounts are usually due each month. Part payments are fine at any time from the start as long as the total cost is paid by each due date. Payments start early in the year as we need to secure transport and accommodation. As with all school trips, all outstanding payments must be completed before the trip.

Eligible Students: Year 11 and 12 students (2015)

As the environment and activities to be undertaken are potentially life-threatening, students must have a proven ability to follow instructions (as shown by their behaviour records) to be eligible to attend. Checks will be done through the semester. Some exceptional past students who have previously attended the snow trip are also invited to return, to act as mentors to the students and to assist the staff. They are required to sign the same behaviour contract as the current students to be able to attend.

We will hold an introductory information evening for interested parents and students early next year. It is likely to last for about an hour and you’re welcome to come along to meet the staff involved and ask any questions you may have before committing to the trip. Details of the exact date of this meeting will be distributed via a student meeting and note home.

If you have questions before this meeting or are unable to attend, please contact one of the staff who are organising the trip for further details.

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