Dear Parent,

The Principal has approved for an excursion to the Snowy Mountains and Canberra. The dates for this excursion will be Monday 3rd August – Wednesday 5th August. This year the excursion will feature TWO full days of skiing as well as a day in Canberra. Our outdoor education provider is Action Learning Initiatives at Jindabyne. The teachers who will be supervising this excursion are: Mr P Wilson, Mr J Sculthorpe.

The excursion is a unique opportunity for students to experience a variety of places and educational institutions. The total cost to attend this excursion will be $560. This cost will cover the following – All food (except lunch Day 1 and the Friday evening meal at McDonalds), accommodation at Jindabyne, boards or skis, stocks, ski or snowboarding lessons, lift pass, all venue entry fees & bus hire. Additional cost will be: hire of ski clothing (including goggles and gloves) if you do not own or cannot borrow suitable gear, snack/additional drinks at the snowy.

If you wish to attend this excursion you must:

- PAY $150 DEPOSIT (or the full amount of $560) ASAP to the front office
- REMEMBER – Places usually fill fast, only a maximum of 60 students can attend this excursion. Full payment or a deposit of $150 will secure your place on this excursion.

Please note that students who withdraw after term 2 (without a legitimate reason eg illness) will incur a $150 COST (Due to commitments to Motels & Bus companies)

General Information Concerning Excursions

(1) Excursions give enrichment to curricula and in many cases are an integral part of them.
(2) Students are not required to wear school uniform; they must wear appropriate warm clothing.
(3) The highest standard of behaviour is demanded of all students of Homebush Boys High School at all times. Please note: Any student who has been on a conduct card this year or is indicated by the Deputy Principal to have behaviour problems will have to go on a conduct card for 4 weeks to prove they are responsible enough to attend this excursion. Parents will be informed, if a student is put onto a conduct card program.
(4) Accommodation – Bungara Lodge, Jindabyne

Mr J Kennedy                                               Mr Jon Sculthorpe
Principal                                                  Head Teacher - PDHPE

Please see over the page for the trip itinerary:
Day 1
Monday 3 August 2015
6.00am Coach arrives at school – load bags
Driver: Mobile: Coach size:
6.30am Depart for Jindabyne
10.00am Canberra Site Visit: Australian War Memorial (self-guided)
12.00pm Lunch on lawn outside AWM (students to provide own lunch)
12.30pm Depart for Parliament House
12.45pm Parliament House (Parliamentary Tour)
2.45pm Depart for National Gallery
3.00pm National Portrait Gallery (self-guided)
4.00pm Depart Canberra for Jindabyne
6.30pm Arrive Bungarra Alpine Centre – The Junction East & West Lodge, settle in
6.45pm Duty group to Firmin Dining room to assist with set up for dinner Dinner in Firmin Dining Room (2nd sitting)
7.00pm
7.45pm To Hire shed onsite for fit out of Ski/ Snowboard gear
8.30pm Briefing by ALI staff: topics covered-Lessons, Emergency Procedures, Clothing & Health Requirements, Alpine Responsibility Code, use of equipment, student responsibilities and arrange ski and snowboard hire at Bungarra
10.00pm Self-serve supper & Bed

Day 2
6.30am Early rise and shine, dress in snow gear Breakfast at Firmin (2nd sitting)
7.00am
7.40am Load onto coach & depart for Thredbo
8.30am Arrive in Thredbo and unpack equipment, move across to Friday Flat
8.45am Meet at ALI meeting point Friday Flats, Thredbo
9.00am 2 hour Group Lessons for all students
11.00am Lessons finish, group assembles at Friday Flat meeting point
11.15am Roll call, Lunch upstairs at Friday Flat Bistro in ALI designated zone
12.15pm On Snow Time in Buddy groups
1.15pm Meet for afternoon lesson at Friday Flats meeting point
1.30pm Afternoon lesson commences (1.45pm ALI staff depart Thredbo)
3.30pm Afternoon lesson finishes, free time to ski/board in Buddy groups
4.30pm All students & staff meet at coach and pack gear
4.45pm Depart for Bungarra
5.30pm Arrive at Bungarra – Junction Lodge for showers and relax
6.45pm Duty group to dining room Dinner (2nd sitting)
7.00pm
8.00pm Evening activity (organised by school)
9.30pm Self serve supper, pack bags and have a change of clothes set aside for the drive home next day after skiing
10.00pm Bed

Day 3
Wednesday 5 August
6.30am 7.00am Early rise and shine, dress in snow gear & pack bags. Leave bags in drying room Breakfast at Firmin (2nd sitting)
7.40am Load onto coach & depart for Thredbo
8.30am Arrive in Thredbo and unpack equipment, move across to Friday Flat
9.00am 2-hour group lessons for all students
11.00am Lessons finish, roll call and lunch upstairs at Friday Flat Bistro – sort buddy groups
12.00pm Afternoon ski/board time using the Buddy System (ALI Staff depart Thredbo)
3.00pm Meet at coach and pack gear
3.15pm Depart Thredbo for Bungarra (Bus must have been switched off for 7 hours)
4.00pm Arrive at Bungarra and return all hire gear, pick up bags and change (no time for showers)
4.15pm Depart for School, dinner on way at students’ own cost
By 10.30pm Arrive at the school