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## Intermediate Schools Cross Country Championship

Cobham INTERMEDIATE ACHIEVING FOR LIFE

Dear Parents / Caregivers

We are pleased to advise you that your child has been selected to represent Cobham Intermediate at the Intermediate Schools Cross Country Championships to be held at Halswell Quarry on Wednesday 21 June (postponement date Wednesday 28 June).

Students who made the top 10 in our school cross country will make up our team. In addition, those who were placed  $11^{\text{th}} - 16^{\text{th}}$  will be non-travelling reserves (which we frequently have to call upon)

A map of the course is available on the website <u>www.primarysportscanterbury.org.nz</u>. Additional information about this event is available on the above website –click on the tab for Intermediates and then the cross country link.

Students are NOT allowed to wear spikes for this event, however blunts/ blanks / flats may be worn.

Students will be travelling by bus departing from school at 12pm (Meet in the Hall at 11:45am). It is anticipated that they will return to school by approximately 3.30pm.

There is a \$7 fee per competitor which covers the cost of transport. Our preference would be for this to be deposited by internet banking / direct credit to 03 - 1705 - 0007063 - 00 (Please put **CHILD'S NAME** followed by **Int XC** as the reference). Alternatively this can be paid to the school office by cash or cheque (Payable to Cobham Intermediate School) in a named envelope with Int XC on the front.

All team members will travel together on the bus.

Reporting time is 1pm look for the Cobham Flag. The events will begin at 1.10pm as outlined below.

Disabled athletes classifications 1km 1.10pm start

Year 7 Girls\* **3Km** \* 1:20pm StartYear 7 Boys\* **3Km** \* 1:35pm Start Approx.Year 8 Girls\* **3Km** \* 1:50pm Start Approx.

Year 8 Boys \* **3Km** \* 2:05pm Start Approx.

Students are asked to continue training up to 3 times per week in preparation for this event. Please consider the demands of other sporting commitments when meeting this requirement. (i.e. A high intensity hockey training could count as one of your sessions).

We are required to provide 3 officials (team manager (Andy Gibson), team recorder and course marshal) for this event, if you are able to assist please email me.

Competitors who are placed in the top 20 at this event will qualify to compete against the top 20 runners from the Primary Schools Championships on Wednesday 5 July, 1.00pm at Halswell Quarry (or Roto Kokatu Reserve if the quarry is closed).

Competitors at the top 20 event on 5 July will be given the opportunity to be selected into the Primary Sports Canterbury Representative Cross Country team to compete against similar representative teams from other regions in latter in the year.

Inter-Regional Cross Country Event (IRXC 2017) Phil Costley Shield: Canterbury v Tasman v Wellington. Held in Timaru on the 28 September.

There will be a cost involved for transport, accommodation, meals and some optional parts of a uniform, for children to participate in this event.

Parents will need to sign a permission slip for children to be able to participate. Schools will need to agree to allow their pupils to be a part of these teams in the last week of September.

In order to be part of the Primary Sports Canterbury team, children MUST travel and stay with the team and they must attend at least 7 of the 10 training events, before the event.

More information relating to these events will be provided to those students who qualify.

Thank you, Andy Gibson Sports Coordinator