

Thursday 4 July 2019



Dear Parents/Caregivers;

Planning is now underway for our biennial Snow Day, which takes place next term on Thursday 29th August. On this day we take the whole school to Mt Ruapehu, travelling from Carncot in minivans and private vehicles.

**When:**

We will have an early start, leaving school at 6.30am and returning by 6.00pm. The students will participate in a 90 minute fully-instructed ski or snowboard lesson, at either the Beginner or Intermediate level, depending on how much experience they have. All students need to have appropriate clothing, which they may borrow or hire as necessary in Palmerston North for use on the mountain.

**Cost:**

The cost will be approximately \$100.00 per student which includes the transport to and from school. We understand that this is a significant cost, hence the advanced warning to allow time to prepare. More information regarding cost will follow at the start of Term 3.

**Parent Help:**

We will require parent support, as we plan to have a 1:6 ratio on the mountain. As a parent helper, you will be given a specific role to assist school and mountain staff with the supervision and safety of the small group of children to which you are assigned. Parents assisting with the intermediate groups may elect to hire gear and ski/board with these children. More information will follow regarding prices.

It is our strong preference that most children and adult helpers travel to and from the mountain in our pre-allocated car groups, as this will enhance the whole-school Snow Day experience and greatly assist with our co-ordination and safety management planning. We will be hiring a number of 12-seater vans to travel together, and will also require some parent vehicles to assist. We are not able to transport individual skis or boards. The hireage of skis or snowboards, boots and poles are all included in the special school-group pricing. Personal helmets will be required by any student at the intermediate level (these are optional at the beginner level) and can be transported or hired for an additional \$5.00 on the mountain.

**Experienced Ski Families:**

We are aware that there are a small number of families who take to the slopes frequently and may wish to arrange their own travel in their family group, taking

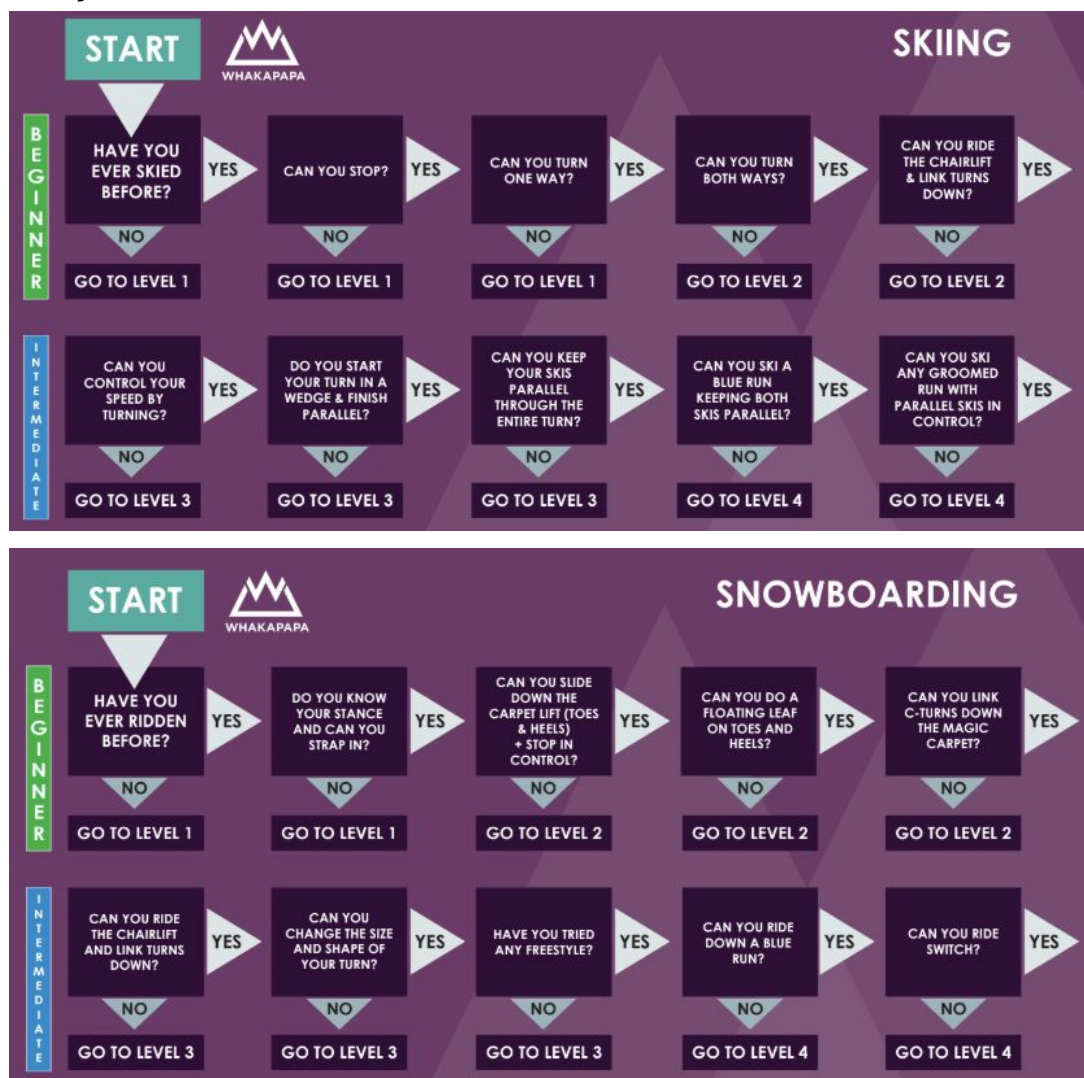
their own equipment and full responsibility for the care and supervision of their children for the day. Please note that there is no discount available from the special school ski day price (unless you have all your own gear, lift pass, and do not take a lesson).

Each pupil will require their full day's food and drink bottle.

Please remember that this is just an introduction to inform families of what will be a wonderful opportunity. More information will follow at the beginning of Term 3.

For preliminary planning, please Complete the attached form and return to the office by Friday 26th July.

#### *Ability level Flowchart:*



# Whole School Snow Day - Thursday 29 August 2019

*Please return this form to the office by Friday 26th July*

## Pupil Consent:

I give permission for  
(full name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year group) \_\_\_\_ to attend the Turoa Skifield  
Snow Day, under the care of Carncot School.

## Pupil Activity Choice:

*Please refer to flowcharts to decide ability level.*

_____ has preselected: <i>(please tick one)</i>		
	<i>Ski</i>	<i>Board</i>
Beginner		
Intermediate		

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent Assistants:

I \_\_\_\_\_ would like to assist on the Beginner slopes (no equipment required).

I \_\_\_\_\_ would like to assist with the Intermediate groups (including lesson and gear hire).

## Transport:

I \_\_\_\_\_ would be happy to drive a 12-seater van.

I \_\_\_\_\_ have a 7 (or more) seater vehicle to transport people.

## Family Exception:

We would like to discuss travelling as our own family group, making our own arrangements for the full supervision of our children.

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_