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#### Introduction

Through the Mt Buller Annex, Mansfield Secondary College (MSC) is pleased to again offer an outstanding educational opportunity to students from years 7 to 10, for the winter season of 2023.

The Mt Buller Annex not only provides for local Mansfield and Mt Buller students, but is also open for other students to attend from public and independent schools. This includes families who work seasonally on Mt Buller and require secondary education for their children, as well as athletes who wish to develop their snowsports skills and specialise in their chosen discipline within the athlete pathway.

During term 3, students can embrace the opportunity to learn in an alternative setting and utilise classroom facilities in the 'Alpine Central' building, Mt Buller. Academic classes operate Monday to Friday, from 1.00pm to 5.00pm. The @Altitude Curriculum specifically addresses their academic learning to the mountain context. Students complete a range of learning activities focused around the domains of numeracy, literacy, science and humanities. The learning activities draw on their daily experiences on the mountain to engage and challenge students. Curriculum outcomes are delivered in line with the Victorian Curriculum, with a focus around Global Education.

In morning sessions, students can improve their skiing and snowboarding skills under some of Australia's leading snowsports program providers and coaches, including Team Buller Riders (TBR), the Mt Buller Race Club (MBRC) and the Mt Buller Ski & Snowboard School. Training is usually for 3 hours each morning, from Monday to Friday, depending on the training provider chosen. Additionally, there is opportunity for preparation in a range of competitions according to their discipline focus. Emphasis will be on developing their individual pathway to achieve measurable and real success.

#### Curriculum

Students work on a specially developed '@Altitude' Curriculum, which will have a theme for the term, utilising the environment, resources and relevant elements of the resort. The curriculum addresses key learning outcomes around numeracy, literacy, science and humanities.

#### Dates of Opening 2023

The Mt Buller Annex will operate from Monday 10 July 2023 to Friday 15 September 2023, Monday-Friday, 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm.

#### **Location and Facilities**

Classrooms are located in the 'Alpine Central' Building, Mt Buller. Students will have their own desk area, a school locker and individual access to the internet and network printers.

#### **Staffina**

The Mt Buller Annex will be staffed by qualified and experienced VIT registered teachers. Contact details will be issued when the head teacher for 2023 is appointed. The Mt Buller Annex can support communication by phone, or email.

The duty of care of MSC Mt Buller Annex staff is limited to tuition hours only.

#### **Medical Information**

Medical details are completed as part of the enrolment process.

As the Mt Buller Annex operates within a 'remote' environment, it is strongly recommended that every student/family have Ambulance Cover.



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#### **Additional Processes and Regulations**

- All students are expected to abide by MSC policies, including the Student Engagement and Inclusion Policy, which can be found on the MSC website – <a href="https://www.mansfieldsc.vic.edu.au">www.mansfieldsc.vic.edu.au</a>
- Students are expected to be punctual for all classes.
- Parent Meetings are available upon request to the Mt Buller Annex head teacher.
- MSC will not be responsible for any accommodation needs of students.
- All transport, training and accommodation costs are in addition to MSC Mt Buller Annex fees.
- Students are expected to compete for their base school in the Victorian Interschool Snowsports Championships.

### What to bring

- Stationery: pens, pencils, ruler, eraser, calculator, etc
- Maths equipment
- Art/Design equipment
- Laptop (with movie making software such as iMovie)
- USB memory stick / External hard drive

Note: Please ensure all equipment and personal belongings are clearly labelled.

### **Interschool Snowsports Competition Guidelines**

- 1. Non-MSC students are expected to compete for their base school. If their school does not have a team, then they may be entered as part of the MSC team for participation and entry purposes.
- 2. Non-MSC students and their parents are expected to contact the snowsports co-ordinator at their base school and organise their entry into the Interschool Snowsports competition. This should be organised by the end of term 2.
- 3. MSC students will fill the teams in order of their ability. If there is space in teams then other Mt Buller Annex students can be asked to fill the space. For example, if there are 5 MSC competitors for Skier Cross then MSC students will fill the first team and two places on the second team. If there is a non-MSC student without a base school team then they may fill the remaining position.
- 4. If a team qualifies for the National Interschool Snowsports competition then the team will firstly be filled with MSC students of the original team. If a MSC student not in the qualifying team displays a substantially quicker time then they may be substituted into the qualifying team. If there are any places available after this process then non-MSC Annex students may be placed into a qualifying team.

#### **Enrolment**

As part of our school registration requirements, all students attending the Mt Buller Annex must have a current enrolment at MSC. For students attending from another school, the college can facilitate a 'dual enrolment'. This enables the student to be registered with two different educational providers.

The following processes and regulations will take effect:

- 1. Students from years 7-10 will be accepted.
- 2. The maximum enrolment will be 20 students.
- 3. Enrolment will be via the following priorities:
  - a. Currently enrolled students at Mansfield Secondary College
  - b. Children of permanent residents and employees of Mt Buller
  - c. Non-MSC students and their siblings
  - d. New enrolments, on a 'first come first served' basis



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Should the number of applicants exceed the number of places available, a waiting list will be established. Any places that become available through cancellation will then be allocated accordingly.

#### **Conditions of Enrolment**

- 1. Payment must be made in full by Friday 26 May 2023. There will be no exceptions.
- 2. <u>Academic requirements</u>: Students may be required to demonstrate suitable academic capability to be accepted into the program
- 3. <u>Attendance</u>: Students may be required to demonstrate an unexplained absence rate of 15% or less to be accepted into the program
- 4. <u>Snowsports Training</u>: It is expected that students attend a specialist program with one of the specialist training providers
- 5. <u>Curriculum Provision</u>: a specially developed '@Altitude' Curriculum, which will have a theme for the term, utilising the environment, resources and relevant elements of the resort.

## Mt Buller Annex – Fees and instalments

1. Mansfield Secondary College Students:

\$2,000.00

2. Students normally attending another school:

\$3,800.00

Fees for non-MSC students are based pro-rata on the Student Resource Package allocation available to Government schools. Students attending from other schools for only one term do not attract any funding from the Department of Education and Training.

The following schedule will take effect:

1. Enrolment forms and \$250 deposit

2. Families advised if application successful

3. Second instalment of \$1000 due

4. Balance due

Fri 31 March 2023 Mon 3- Thurs 6 April 2023 Friday 28 April 2023 Friday 26 May 2023

Payment must be made in full by Friday 26 May 2023. There will be no exceptions.

#### Other Fees and Charges

**Snowsports training** is strongly recommended for students. Costs for these programs can vary, depending on the program. Students can choose from programs focussing on racing, freestyle skiing or ski school. Options range from 5 days a week to 7 days a week, up to and including school holidays. Details and costs of programs are available online and finalised directly with the providers of these programs around March each year. The main providers of specialist training programs on Mt Buller are listed on the following page.

Depending on the snowsports program, selected students should also consider any additional equipment costs.

In previous years, BSL have offered discounted local school **season memberships**. At this time, BSL has not confirmed this offer will be available in 2023. We will advise as soon as we have information.

Students living off the mountain, who require daily transport, can purchase a season bus pass. Information will be provided when your child's enrolment is confirmed.

**Ski storage and ski lockers** are available from Black Mountain Ski Hire (immediately adjacent to bus terminal). Cost is approximately \$10 (2022 price) per week Monday – Friday. This allows students to store skis in ski racks and secure boots and other items in a large locker. Students must vacate lockers during weekends.



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#### **Refunds**

A refund will only be considered as the result of sickness or accident. Requests must be made in writing within 2 weeks after the event and supported by a medical certificate.

Requests will be reviewed by the School Finance Committee for approval, in accordance with Department of Education and Finance Guidelines.

The Principal has the capacity to view special circumstances on an individual basis.

Early exit from this program due to sickness or accident will incur a pro-rata charge.

Only the Mansfield Secondary College fee component is covered by this refund clause.

### **Snowsports Training Specialist Providers**

The main providers of specialist training programs on Mt Buller are listed below.

Please contact these providers directly to discuss your needs with regard to training and enrolment. Mansfield Secondary College provides contact details in good faith and does not endorse any of the particular programs noted below.

The expectation is that students attend academic classes Monday to Friday, from 1.00pm to 5.00pm. When engaging a specialist training provider, please ensure the program being offered runs in the morning only so that your child can attend school as expected.

#### Mt Buller Race Club (MBRC)

Contact: Richard Haslau Phone: 0417 200 640

Address: PO Box 34, Mt Buller, Victoria 3723 Email: info@mtbullerraceclub.com.au

Web: <a href="https://www.mtbullerraceclub.com.au/home/">https://www.mtbullerraceclub.com.au/home/</a>

### **Team Buller Riders (TBR)**

Contact: Andrew Pattison (Manager)

Phone: 0411 281 372

Address: PO Box 33, Mt Buller, Victoria 3723

Email: <a href="mailto:patto@teambuller.com">patto@teambuller.com</a>
Web: <a href="mailto:www.teambuller.com">www.teambuller.com</a>

### **Buller Ski & Snowboard School**

Contact: Ross Taylor – Ski and Snowboard School Manager

Phone: 03 5777 7851

Email: <a href="mailto:ross.taylor@skibuller.com.au">ross.taylor@skibuller.com.au</a>