

From Senior School cont'd ...

**Interschool Snow Sports Championships**

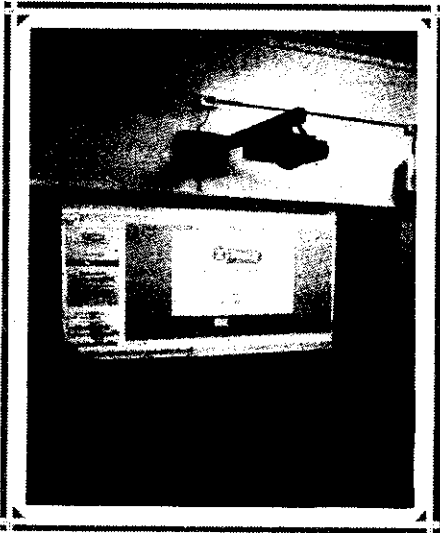
Fintona Girls School has a representative team which will be competing at Mt Buller from Sunday 24 August – Friday 29 August.

Any student who is interested in competing, please contact parents **Mr Greg Horsey** on 0419 60499 or **Mr Andrew Percy** on 0419 307975 with your entries by Wednesday 6 August.

**Mrs Carmen Timms**  
Co-ordinator of Sport

**Fintona's Interactive Learning Space**

Earlier this year Fintona Girls School decided to install a new projector system in a key learning space in the Senior School. IT Manager Grant Frazer enlisted the services of Audio Visual Installations Company D.I.B Australia to provide this room with a solution that would enhance both teaching and learning for staff and students.



Pictured: The EPSON EMP-400W

The room now boasts the world's first short throw widescreen projector – the EPSON EMP-400W. Ideal for use in interactive teaching with whiteboards, the EMP-400W allows wide screen presentations with a short projection distance, meaning that it is able to display a 60 inch picture from a mere distance of just 65cm. This virtually eliminates the shadow and glare affect that is often a problem when students or teachers are presenting at the front of the class.

However, what really set this room apart from previous projector installations throughout the school was the inclusion

of the latest generation Interactive Whiteboard (IWB), the 2 Touch. The goal for this room was to achieve an IWB solution that was large and easy to use, for both staff and students. The 2 Touch is just that. Standing alone at 2.4 metres wide, not only does it act as a touch (finger or pen) capable interactive whiteboard but it also has a ceramic steel porcelain whiteboard surface for typical everyday classroom use.

This feature appealed greatly to the School as it meant that instead of having two boards in the one room they could install the 2Touch, which would act as both a normal whiteboard or alternatively the teacher can plug in a computer or laptop and go interactive, ultimately increasing the total whiteboard space.

The installation of this new projector and Interactive Whiteboard system will provide great advantages to students at Fintona, some of which include; increased enjoyment and motivation, greater opportunities for class participation and collaboration with their peers, less need for note taking and perhaps most importantly, it will accommodate different learning styles.

The new system will also offer great potential for teachers and enhance the quality of teaching.

**Mrs Vicky Kapourelakos**  
Marketing Manager

**REMINDER**

**Fintona Parents Association  
Monthly Meeting**

at 7.30pm  
Sitting room  
Tourmont Building

**Items for Discussion:**

- Planning the Spring Carnival Picnic
- Combined with the Food & Wine Festival
- and any other items

For further information contact  
**Mrs Wendy Hawkins**  
President  
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**ATTENTION PARENTS**

**Food Allergies**

Fintona recognises that food allergies, in some instances, may be severe and even occasionally life-threatening. The foods most likely to cause allergic reactions are peanuts, tree nuts, dairy products, eggs, soy, wheat, fish, and shell-fish. Although most food allergies produce symptoms that are uncomfortable, persons with allergies to the above-listed foods can suffer more serious consequences.

**Letters have been sent to parents who have mentioned in the medical form that their daughter is suffering from an allergy.**

Could all letters be returned immediately. If an allergy has developed since the medical forms were completed please notify the School in writing and provide the medication, if required, clearly named, with the correct dosage stated.

Thank you for your co-operation.

**Sick Bay Advice**

Parents will now receive a 'Sick Bay Advice' slip whenever a student presents to Sick Bay with an ailment or injury. This will be issued to the Student when she leaves Sick Bay.

The only exception will be in the case of minor complaints, or if a parent is contacted and the child is picked up. The Sick Bay Advice slip, in all other instances, will need to be signed and returned to Student Services as soon as possible.

**Mrs Lorna Probst**  
Head of Upper School

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**Mrs Sue Moss**  
Head of Middle School

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