

## *The NZCT AIMS Games mission*

The sporting championships gives Years 7 & 8 an opportunity to compete as an individual or in a team against the best of their age in twenty one different sports. Each of the sports offered are hosted in superb facilities where the best for their age will have the opportunity to perform at their best.

The aim of the event is to provide opportunities for the student in the Intermediate years to compete at an elite level, be active, celebrate fair play and enjoy success. It is through events such as the NZCT AIMS GAMES that these students will be provided with challenges and the opportunity to perform to a high standard.

## *These are the current sports disciplines available at the NZCT Aims Games :*

Badminton	Multi-Sport
Basketball	Netball
BMX	Performance Groups
Canoe Slalom	Rugby Sevens
Cross Country	Squash
Football	Swimming
Futsal	Table Tennis
Golf	Tennis
GymSport	Water Polo
Hockey	Yachting
Indoor Bowls	

St Joseph's Catholic School, Fairfield is preparing to enter teams/individuals into the NZCT AIMS GAMES tournament (New Zealand Association of Intermediate and Middle Schools) held in September 2018. The NZCT AIMS GAMES events are held over a week at various venues throughout the Western BOP.

This competition is for Year 7 & 8 students only, and is held in Week 8 of Term 3, 9th September through to Friday 14th September, with competitors travelling from all around New Zealand to compete in 21 sports.

If your child plays one of the following individual sports to a high level and would be keen on attending the tournament, please register their interest by returning the 'expression of interest' form found below. More information about the event will be sent out to the interested parties. The sports that are on offer at Aims Games for individuals are:

- Badminton
- Cross Country
- Golf
- Gymnastics
- Indoor Bowls
- MultiSport
- Squash
- Swimming
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Yachting

When you register, we ask that you provide in detail information about your child's ability and the level that they have reached in their chosen sport. We will only be taking individuals who will be able to compete to a high level.

### **Important Dates:**

Tuesday 6th March 2018	-	Parent Information Evening, 6pm Room 1
Friday 16th March	-	Expression of Interest sheets returned
Thursday 29th March		Teams attending announced, children selected informed
Wednesday 23th May	-	School NZCT AIMS Code Application Form Due
	-	NZCT AIMS Entries & Payment Due
	-	NZCT AIMS Teams/Individuals Announced
Thursday 28th July	-	NZAIMS Registration Forms Due

### **Tournament Rules Apply**

All students, parents and caregivers involved in a TEAM SPORT at the NZCT Aims Games need to be aware that "Tournament Rules" apply for students representing St Joseph's Catholic School Fairfield at the NZCT AIMS Games.

Details surrounding this policy are outlined below:

### **Important Notes:**

Participation in the AIMS tournament is made at the discretion of the School's Leadership team in conjunction with Sports Co-ordinator and Coaches.

Participation in the AIMS tournament will be based on the combination of:

- School teams interest,
  - Historical performance of the team/individual
  - Current performance of the team/individual
  - Team strength based on availability of students and coaching Staff
  - Behaviour at school, attitude.
  - Committed parental support throughout the tournament
  - BOT has final approval to guarantee health and safety concerns have been mitigated.
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- Team selections during the NZCT AIMS GAMES tournament will be at the discretion of the Coach
  - While it is good to rotate team members during the tournament, there is no obligation on the coach to give all team members equal game time
  - Some players may not get game time (or very limited game time)
  - All players will be involved with squad trainings, warm-ups etc

We wish to have a strong school identity with teams/individuals supporting others when not involved in their own sport.

### **Variables:**

#### **1. Team/sport options**

- Trials will happen if there are more than the required number of children wanting to participate.
- Where it is possible, students may compete in more than one sporting code, but only at the discretion of the AIMS Management Committee.
- If the school is unable to offer a sport which is included in the AIMS tournament, students may apply to the AIMS Management Committee for inclusion.

#### **2. Entry Fees:**

- For sport specific entry fees, please refer to the event website [www.nzaimsgames.co.nz](http://www.nzaimsgames.co.nz).
- Some team sports have an additional fee if the team is unable to provide an Umpire/Referee.

- To encourage students to make a commitment, those who register in an 'individual' sport only, the appropriate fee will be required **to be paid** along with Student Interest Form by **Wednesday 25th May**. This fee will be non-refundable and must be paid by cash or cheque.
- Fees for 'teams' will be required at a later date once final fee has been set and teams/members have been named.

### **3. Roles:**

- St Joseph's Fairfield will have a number of staff involved during this week of competition. Each sport will however require parental assistance to support the athletes in various roles including Coach, Manager and Umpire / Referee.
- Sports that are likely to have a small number of participants would rely heavily on parent involvement and will require firm parental commitment to this to be set before a team can be entered.
- Other parents may be required to assist with meal preparation and tidy up.

### **4. Transport:**

Students will be required to be transported to and from the various venues as and when required by each sport by nominated police vetted drivers in registered, warranted vehicles.

### **5. Behavioural Expectations:**

- All students will abide by the School Rules at all times when representing the School. This includes behavioural and uniform expectations.
- All students will abide by the Fair Play Charter.
- Parents are expected to abide by the Coach's/Manager's decisions, and are not to question those decisions on the sidelines, during or after competition.
- Any parents assisting over the week must have current police vetting in place.
- All students chosen to participate at the AIMS tournament are expected to attend Mass at St Thomas More Parish held on the Sunday evening prior to the start of the tournament week.
- All students chosen to participate in the AIMS tournament are expected to remain with their teams until the tournament is completed for that team.
- Students participating in one day only events such as multisport are expected to attend school on the days that they are not competing.
- Where there are periods of time during the tournament when teams/individuals are not competing, it is the expectation of the AIMS Management Committee that they support other school teams/individuals that are competing. This will be at the discretion of their Coach and/or Manager.

## **6. Other Info:**

- Costs associated with the AIMS tournament will be on a user pays basis and the responsibility of the participating students and their parents.
- Where possible fundraising will be coordinated and supported in the schools environment.
- There is a strict no swimming policy whilst on the AIMS games week due to health and safety regulations.
- No cell phones or devices are to be taken to the tournament by players. Any devices found will be confiscated for the week.
- Strict bedtimes will be set and adhered to.
- Television viewing will be simply PG shows/movies.
- No child will be allowed to leave the team unit during the week.
- Team meals will be organised and supplied to each team unit before the tournament starts unless eating together as a whole.
- No extra activities such as movies, paintball etc shall be undertaken during the tournament week.
- Bed wetting and personal needs will be identified and a plan of action put in place discreetly.

## **7. Further Info:**

Once coaches, managers, teams and individuals have been confirmed further event information will be communicated.

# St Joseph's Fairfield

## Expression of Interest for 2018 AIMS Games

Student Name:

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Sport:

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Year 7 / Year 8 (please circle one)      Age on 10 Sept 2018: \_\_\_\_\_

Team / Individual (please circle one)

Information regarding Sport for AIMS:

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I \_\_\_\_\_ (name)

wish to submit an expression of interest for my child (name):

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Signature:

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Date:

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