Dear Parents,

Earlier in the term you should have received a green information sheet regarding the National Under15 tournament to be played in Albury (NSW). This tournament is held in the first week of the school holidays. It is an excellent relaxed tournament and will be a huge learning experience for your child. The cost has been finalised at $390.00. This cost includes all evening meals including lunch. The cost of the trip is much more than $390.00 but we will be able to pass the profits from the Gold Ball tournament and the Gold Ball canteen into the Albury event.

The 5 teams include any year 9’s who are under 15 years of age plus a number of year 8’s to fill the teams to 8 players per team. The number of players per team is deliberately kept low so that we can give all players good court time and thus maximise their learning at this tournament.

We will select both boys and girls teams with 8 players in each team in week 5 of school. Please note all participating players will need a photocopy of their birth certificate. It is a good idea to get a number of photocopies of this certificate as they will be required for a number of events over the years. If you do not have a copy you had better apply for one soon as they do take some time. Please bring a copy to school ASAP and give it Shaun or Eldo. We need it to nominate your child in a team. They also have to be registered with Volleyball SA. This will be covered when you pay your Mt Lofty junior membership for junior league and fill out the VSA rego form.

Trainings start on Monday 7th March (3.30 – 5.00pm) and the full training roster will be on the notice board and on the volleyball website soon. These trainings will give players excellent high quality training opportunities in the weeks leading up to the tournament.

If players cannot make training, then the boys must inform Mr Scott BEFORE training. The girls must inform Mr Eldridge BEFORE training. We are training for a National event and trainings must be given the level of importance that this requires.

If you have any questions, please contact Chloe or Mr Eldridge at school.

This event is a fantastic event. We will all have a ball.

Our results in the tournament will be a secondary consideration to the behaviour, personal responsibilities and team rules we expect Heathfield players to follow. I am very pleased indeed to note that several of the year 9 players have asked me to give them some time for them to clearly go through the squad expectations the new players and the year 8’s will be under during this trip. I am sure that other schools would love to have this peer to peer expectation and support which has been requested by some of our year 9 leaders. - Very proud of you kids. One of the reasons Heathfield can perform year after year.

Parents are welcomed to attend the event and you can contact me regarding further information.

PLEASE NOTE ALL THIS INFORMATION AND MORE IS ON OUR VOLLEYBALL WEBSITE.


Regards David Eldridge
SIV Program Manager.