

8th November 2019

Dear Parent / Guardian

Austria Ski Trip

I am pleased to announce plans for our 2021 ski trip to Austria for pupils in years 8, 9 and 10 (currently in years 7, 8 and 9 this school year) departing school on **Friday 12th February 2021** and returning on **Saturday 20th February 2021**. We will be travelling to the wonderful resort of Salzburger Sportwelt and staying in Jugendsporthotel Bachlehen. The trip will be led by Mr Stewart and organised through PGL Travel Ltd.

What's it all about?

This is a fantastic opportunity for complete beginners or advanced skiers to enjoy skiing or snowboarding in breath-taking mountain scenery whilst also benefitting from the cultural experience that a foreign country offers. Travelling and staying away from home will also help pupils become more independent, develop more confidence and make new friends.

We have chosen to book with PGL because not only do they offer excellent value but their extremely high standards make your child's safety and wellbeing the priority. They have over 55 years of experience organising trips for schools and are also members of ABTA.

We will be holding a meeting with parents and pupils on Monday 18th November 2019 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the school hall to give further details on the trip, accommodation, payments, and answer any questions you may have. If your child is interested in coming on the ski trip, please advise if you are able to attend the initial meeting on the reply slip provided with this letter.

What does it cost?

The cost per person is **£1,175** which can be paid in instalments prior to the trip via ParentPay. The cost includes:

- Return travel by coach
- 6 days skiing with 4 hours' tuition per day with qualified instructors
- Lift pass
- Ski, boot and helmet hire
- Full board accommodation
- Winter sports insurance
- PGL Representative in house
- A personalised tour hoodie
- A range of apres-ski activities (including bowling, ice skating, visits to the local town and restaurants)

Meals en-route and pocket money (no more than £5 - £10 per day) are not included.

What do I need to do next?

There are a limited number of places available, so if you would like your child to go on the trip, please complete and return the interest form on the reverse side to express an interest. An initial, non-refundable **deposit of £120 will be due by Thursday 28th November**. Further payments will be required on the dates as listed on the reverse side. Please note that once deposits have been paid to PGL they are not refundable and terms and conditions for further payments will apply. If your child receives for Free School Meals, there is funding available to assist with payment, please contact me directly to discuss the financial support available.

If you have any questions regarding your child's participation in the trip, please don't hesitate to contact me.
Yours faithfully



Mr K Stewart
Ski Trip Organiser

Please see the proposed payment plan below, as mentioned, all payments for the trip must be made through ParentPay.

Payment Due Date	Amount Due
Deposit: 28 th November 2019	£120
27 th December 2019	£95
30 th January 2020	£95
27 th February 2020	£95
26 th March 2020	£95
30 th April 2020	£95
28 th May 2020	£95
25 th June 2020	£95
30 th July 2020	£95
27 th August 2020	£95
24 th September 2020	£95
29 th October 2020	£105
Total Paid	£1175

Ski Trip Letter of interest

Students Full Name	
Students Year and Tutor Group	

My son/daughter has never skied before / has days/weeks skiing experience **(please delete as appropriate)**.

My son/daughter would prefer to ski / snowboard for the week **(please delete as appropriate)**.

I will / will not be able to attend the initial meeting on Monday 18th November **(please delete as appropriate)**.

I would like to reserve a place for my son/daughter on the 2019 Ski Trip. I understand that once deposits have been paid to PGL they are non-refundable and that terms and conditions, including cancellation charges, will apply. Once a deposit has been paid, I undertake to pay the balance in full by [date] and agree to adhere to the payment schedule as set out in the letter attached.

Signed Date
 (Parent/guardian)

Please return to Mr. Stewart in room 1-06, or via reception, by Friday 15th November 2019