



23rd April 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Ski Trip 2019

Following the 2018 ski trip I have provisionally booked the 2019 trip with the same company as we have travelled with the last few years. We are heading back to the same resort we travelled to this year and this letter sets out the arrangements for this proposed trip.

We have provisionally booked the 2019 ski trip to depart at the start of the Easter holiday on **Saturday 6th April** and return on **Saturday 13th April 2019**. We will travel by coach and ferry and will ski in Val di Fiemme, a small Italian resort ideal for school groups. Hotel accommodation has not yet been confirmed but will be 3* standard.

Val di Fiemme is a resort in the Italian Dolomites in the region of North East Trentino. It has a variety of landscapes and offers over 140km of skiing in 5 different ski areas each offering a very different skiing experience but all with high quality lift systems and piste preparation. Lift passes cover all the areas and students will be able to use the different areas whilst staying with the same ski instructor for the whole week. The area where we will be staying also contains a number of attractions (in addition to skiing) and it should be possible to ice skate, swim, shop and visit a local disco in the evening. The accommodation is full board with a hot snack lunch on the mountain in any of the numerous restaurants available. The rooms will all be en-suite and multi bedded with several students sharing a room – usually in groups of 2 or 3. It is approximately a 15 minute drive to the slopes by private coach each day.

The cost of the trip will be **£915.00**. This is somewhat more than the 2018 trip unfortunately due to the poor exchange rate. This cost will include all travel, insurance, five hours of ski instruction per day for five days, ski passes, hire of skis, boots, poles and helmets, food once in resort and evening activities. If your child is going to be 18 years old when we depart there will be an additional cost of approximately £30.00 payable for an adult lift pass. A payment schedule will be established when places have been confirmed but to reserve a place at this stage we will require a **non-refundable deposit of £150.00**. Once the trip has been confirmed, you will be liable for any costs incurred should your child drop out of the trip.

If you would like your child to take part in this trip please complete and return the attached permission slip with payment (cheques made payable to The Blue School) to the Finance Office, open daily at break only (11.10-11.30am) by Friday 18th May 2018. The 2017 trip did not recruit very well and was further complicated by a number of students dropping out during the course of the year and therefore this **trip will not run unless the take up reaches 40 students** by the deadline. In the event of this not happening all monies will be refunded at that stage.

Should there be any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Holland
Head of Physical Education



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To: The Finance Office, daily at break only (11.10-11.30am) by Friday 18th May 2018.
Mrs S Holland – Ski Trip 2019 – Saturday 6th April to Saturday 13th April 2019.

Name of Student:Tutor Group:

- I enclose **£150.00** (cheques payable to The Blue School)

As a parent of the above student I have read, fully understood and am satisfied with details supplied about the above mentioned activities and agree to my daughter/son taking part in it. I know of no medical reason why s/he should not participate.

- The school has Activities Insurance for students for all trips and activities on and off the school site. Details of the key benefits are available from the Finance Office.
- Parents should consider taking out additional insurance cover for their child if they require benefits above those provided by the school.
- The School only provides cover at the School against proven or agreed negligence by its employees.

Signature of Parent/Carer: Date: