12 March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

We are pleased to inform you that the School are now organising the annual skiing trip for 2019. Please see the details below:

**Company:** Equity Ski, fully bonded ABTA and ATOL

**Destination:** TBA

**Hotel:** San Camillo

**Dates:**
- **Option 1** – Andorra. Saturday 16 February – Sunday 24 February 2019
- **Option 2** – Italy. Friday 15 February – Saturday 23 February 2019.

**Cost:** £890 - Please note that students who are over 18 on the day of departure may be liable for an additional £35 adult lift pass supplement

**Travel:** By coach

The price includes all travel and accommodation for 7 nights, meals, insurance, skis, boots, helmet and pole hire, full instruction/supervision by ski school instructors for 4 hours per day, lift pass, evening entertainment, ski test, certificates and medals.

In order to keep costs down, the School has taken out a flexible resort option. This means that we will have found out which resort we have been allocated by September 2018. We will be in a resort in either Andorra or Italy, in a hotel suitable for our party. Please note that if we are allocated Andorra, the dates of the trip will be Saturday 16 February to Sunday 24 February 2019 and if we are allocated Italy, the dates will be Friday 15 February – Saturday 23 February 2019.

Please be aware that students are only allowed to ski in their ski lessons. During this time they will be supervised at all times by fully qualified ski instructors. The total time skiing each day is four hours.

Application for places is open to all students in the School apart from current Year 10 (Year 11 2018-19) and current Year 12 and must be accompanied with a £200 deposit followed by a second payment of £300 to be paid on or before 25 September 2018.

The final balance of £390 will be due on the 5 December 2018. In order to protect the price all dates must be strictly adhered to. Alternatively, a payment plan may be set up on request to myself. For clarity, note that this trip is not open to next year’s Year 11 or Year 13 students.

Acceptance of a deposit does not necessarily mean a place will be allocated to your son/daughter. This is subject to availability, which is limited and at the discretion of the School. In the event of your son/daughter not being offered a place, deposits will of course be returned.
To be fair to all students and staff participating on these trips, the School reserves the right to remove any student whose behaviour at School does not meet the standards required of all our students. In such cases deposits will be non-refundable, and the full cost of the trip may be payable if a replacement cannot be found.

If you would like to apply for a place on this trip, please complete this GroupCall form and either pay on-line using Scopay or by cheque or cash to the Bursar’s office in an envelope marked “Ski Trip 2019”. If paying by cheque, please ensure that your son/daughter’s name and “Ski Trip 2019” are on the back of the cheque.

Should you at a future date, decide to withdraw from the trip please note that your deposit will not be refunded or transferred to any other School trip.

All students will require their own individual valid passport and EHIC which they will need to bring with them on the day of departure. Students who do not already have a passport can obtain an application form from any main Post Office. EHIC’s are free and can be applied for on-line at www.ehic.co.uk.

Please note that this trip is physically demanding and does require a certain level of fitness from all participants.

Please contact Mr White if you have any specific questions or indeed if you would like to discuss any matters concerning this trip. His email address is swhite@rickmansworth.herts.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mr S White
Ski Trip Organiser
To: Bursar’s Office  
Re: Ski Trip 2019

Student Name ............................................................................................................. (as it appears on their passport)

Form & Teaching Group ........................................................

Having read and understood the details of the visit as set out in the letter of 12 March 2018, I wish my son/daughter to participate in the ski trip and enclose a deposit of £200 (non-refundable).

☐ I acknowledge the need for my son/daughter to behave responsibly and agree to the School’s procedures in this respect. Although the staff of the School escorting the party will exercise due care and attention, I understand they cannot necessarily be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury, which may befall my child named above during or as a consequence of the journey and visit.

☐ I understand that if I withdraw from this trip at a later date, the deposit is non-refundable and non-transferable to another trip.

☐ I understand that upon return to School my child will no longer be under the authority of the School and my child is aware of the arrangements for getting home.

☐ I understand that the School reserves the right to remove any student whose behaviour at School does not meet the standards required of all our students. In such cases any deposits paid will be non-refundable and the full cost of the trip may be payable if a replacement cannot be found.

☐ I understand that I must notify the School office of any change in the medical condition of my son/daughter, and of any change to the Emergency numbers provided below.

Emergency Tel No 1:..........................................................

Emergency Tel No 2..........................................................

Please tick ONE of the following boxes as appropriate:

☐ My son/daughter has a current individual British passport which expires on .........................

☐ My son/daughter has a current individual non-British passport which expires on .........................

☐ My son/daughter does not have an individual passport and will apply for one.

If you would like to inform us of any non-medical concerns that may be relevant regarding your son/daughter's participation in this trip, please give details here e.g. dietary requirements (that School are not already aware of), phobias, sleeping problems, inability to swim etc.

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☐ I consent for my son/daughter to participate in swimming on this trip.

Please tick against method of payment below:

Online payment: I am registered for the School internet payment facility and would like to make online payments. Please check back daily should the system not yet show this item. ☐
**Cheque payment:** please make cheques payable to Rickmansworth School and hand in at the Bursar’s Office □

**Cash payment:** please hand in with this slip at the Bursars’ Office □

**Pupil Premium:** My son/daughter is in receipt of Pupil Premium □

Parent Signature ........................................................................................................................................

My email address is..................................................................................................................................