16 May 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Ski Trip 2020 – Piancavallo, Italy

I am delighted to confirm details of the Rickmansworth School annual Ski Trip which will be taking place during February half term, 2020. Please see the details below:

Company: Equity Ski, fully bonded ABTA and ATOL
Destination: Piancavallo, Italy
Hotel: Hotel Regina
Cost: £910
Travel: By coach

The price includes all travel and accommodation for 7 nights, meals, skis, boots, helmet and pole hire. Students will receive full instruction/supervision by ski school instructors for 4 hours per day, as well as receiving their lift pass, evening entertainment, ski test, certificates and medals. The trip includes full insurance to all participants.

Please be aware that students are only allowed to ski in their ski lessons. This is when 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, with a total of 99 places available on the trip. If the trip is over-subscribed, places will be allocated randomly. After the 99 places have been filled, students will be placed on a waiting list if any further places become available.

The full payment schedule for the trip can be found below:
- Non-refundable first deposit: £200 made no later than Friday 7 June
- Second Installment: £300 to be paid on or before Friday 13 September
- Final Balance: £410 due by Friday 6 December

In order to ensure that the price is protected for all students on the trip, these payment dates must be strictly adhered to. Alternatively, a payment plan may be set up on request to me.

Acceptance of a deposit does not necessarily mean a place will be allocated to your son/daughter. The random allocation of places will be communicated with you as soon as the deadline has passed. Places are strictly limited and offered through the random allocation 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.
If you would like to apply for a place on this trip, please complete the online form, including any necessary confirmations and either pay online using Scopay or by cheque or cash to the Bursars’ Office in an envelope marked “Ski Trip 2020”.

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.

Please note that this trip is physically demanding and does require a certain level of fitness from all participants. Unfortunately this trip is not open to next year’s Year 11 or Year 13 students.

Please feel free to contact me directly should you have any specific questions or would like to discuss the trip in further detail at sberry@rickmansworth.herts.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Berry
PE Teacher and Ski Trip Organiser
To: Bursar’s Office  
Re: Ski Trip 2020 – Piancavallo, Italy

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 16 May 2019, I wish my son/daughter to participate in the Ski Trip 2020 – Piancavallo, Italy 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.

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

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

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

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 ☐
Cheque payment: please make cheques payable to Rickmansworth School and hand in at the Bursars Office.

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

Pupil Premium: I am in receipt of Pupil Premium Funding.

If the payment is in cash and over £20 a receipt MUST be obtained from the Bursars Office. Cheque and cash payments MUST be placed in an envelope clearly labelled with the Student’s name and the payment reference. Thank you.