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Dear Parents/Carers,

Sixth Form Ski Trip 2019 - securing a place with deposits

Further to students filling in statements of interest for the Sixth Form Ski Trip, I can now confirm that we have enough interest to launch the trip shown below.

In the Sixth Form we wish to develop not only student's academic potential but also their wider interests, hence we have decided to offer a Sixth Form only ski trip during the February half-term in 2019. We feel that this is an opportunity for students in the Sixth Form to socialise, learn a new skill and potentially even find gap year work! The school has a rich tradition of running ski trips and we think that there is a market for such a trip in the upper school. Key information can be found below:

Dates:	February half-term 2019 (Saturday 16 th - Saturday 23 th February 2019)
Resort:	Flachau and Alpendorf in the Sportwelt Amada, Austria
Company:	IBT ski
Cost:	£1045 (payable by instalments)
Deposit:	£200 payable on WISEPAY now until Friday 16 th March

Costs include:

- Return travel from SWCHS by executive coach with toilet/washroom and lap seat belts.
- Half-board hotel accommodation mainly in 2, 3 or 4 bedded rooms all with private facilities – including full evening meal on day of departure from resort.
- Hot snack lunch each ski day at a mountain restaurant.
- Ski instruction – 5 hours per day for 5 days with a one hour lunch supervised by qualified ski school instructors.
- 5 days hire of top quality carving skis, boots and helmets,
- Full après ski programme, entrances and ski tests, including an evening at the local thermal spa, a trip to Salzburg and an evening at a snooker and pool bar.
- Cross channel ferry crossing and all road tolls.
- Full area ski lift pass.



- Comprehensive winter sports insurance.
- Total financial protection (ABTA member) and ATOL holder.

Not included in the price:

- Additional drinks eg. hot chocolate from mountain restaurants (nb. water will be provided with meals in the hotel).
- Meals on the coach journey in both directions.
- Pocket money.
- Specialist clothing, ski wear and helmets (although clothing can be rented – more information will be given at the presentation evening, details of which will follow).

Securing a place and Payments Schedule

To secure a place you will need to pay the deposit on Wisepay. Should there be more interest than there are places available then names for the trip will be drawn from a hat. Minimum numbers are 43, but there will be some variation in terms of the size of coach we take so there will be some flexibility on the overall numbers. Please be aware that once a deposit is paid this is a serious commitment to come on the trip as the school cannot become indebted to the travel company if we cannot find a replacement to fill a space.

At this point, I would like to address the expectations in terms of behaviour. As a school, we have high expectations of behaviour and as staff leading the trip we have overall responsibility of the welfare of students in our care, even those who have turned 18. Therefore, we will expect students to follow instructions from staff. I would like to highlight that this will be an alcohol free trip (even for those who have turned 18). If students cannot adhere to this rule then this is not the trip for them.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Russell Milne', written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Russell Milne
Party Leader
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REPLY SLIP

To be returned to the school Reception by the end of Friday 16th March 2018.

Student name: _____ Form: _____

I confirm that I would be interested in going on this school trip, I have paid the £200 deposit on Wisepay on _____ (date).

Previous Ski ability (please circle one):

Beginner

1-2 weeks

Red run skier

Advanced

Please highlight any existing medical information that may influence any insurance claims should we need to claim before or during the trip:
