



# FIVE ACRES HIGH SCHOOL

February 2018

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

## **Five Acres High School Ski Tour - 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019 - (Year 7, 8 & 9 Students)**

Following an overwhelming response to our letter of interest, we are delighted to be in the position to formally plan a ski tour. Skiing provides your child with the opportunity to experience an exhilarating alpine sport as well as a unique culture. Residential tours also support personal development in skills such as confidence, resilience, teamwork and independence. This tour will provide a lifelong memory of a truly amazing opportunity and nurture aspirations for travel and seeing the world.

At present, we are planning to ski during March 2019, in either Italy or France – final destination will be confirmed. **The cost of this tour will be £795.** The tour will take place during March 2019 departing 8<sup>th</sup> of March and returning on the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Given the costs of the tour, we like parents to have the opportunity to budget and spread payments and have attached a payment schedule. We have negotiated a lower deposit with our tour company. We will be travelling with Equity – Inspire Learning, who are fully ABTA, ATOL and STF registered with many years of experience of tailored school ski tours. This tour will cater for all levels of skier from beginners those with experience. A list of what is covered in the price is on the adjoining page.

### **In addition to the cost your son/daughter will need:**

- their own passport
- appropriate clothing
- dry-slope lessons to enhance experience on snow
- pocket money whilst away (this amount will be advised closer to the date)

Your child has expressed an interest in coming on the Ski Tour, if you would like your child to participate in this tour **please complete the attached form and return it to the school office no later than Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February.**

### **Following on from this date a ParentPay letter will be posted home requesting that:**

- Initial deposit of £85 is paid via ParentPay by Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018
- Second deposit of £85 will be required by Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018
- Please note that once a place has been accepted and confirmed, the deposit (£170) becomes non-refundable.
- The final balance must be paid no later than Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019

We are expecting a very high response based on the initial interest so places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. I would however recommend that regular payments are made, accompanied with your payment card (see payment schedule on following page). Once places are allocated we will be having an information evening for you to attend.

**The tour is not eligible for financial support from the school.** On a tour of this nature we need to have absolute confidence in student behaviour and co-operation, we therefore reserve the right not to offer a place to any student whose behaviour record in school is a cause for concern. Equally, if the behaviour of a student offered a place on the tour subsequently becomes an issue for concern, the school will reserve the right to remove them from the tour. The above would also apply to students whose academic progress also courses concern and missing a week of school being detrimental to their future success.

Yours sincerely

**D Ackland, Ski Tour Organiser**

**Headteacher: Ben Parnell**

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## Ski Tour 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### What's included:

- **Return executive coach transport**
- **Full Board accommodation with hot lunch on the slopes**
- **Ski Complete** - 5 days lift pass, 5 days of ski lessons, 5 days hire of carving skis, boots and poles, Ski Storage
- **Ski helmet hire**
- **Snow guarantee (piste closure insurance)**
- **Fully comprehensive insurance:**
  - 24 hour medical assistance without any excesses
  - Ski loss or breakage insurance without excesses
  - Snow guarantee (piste closure insurance)
  - Personal money and loss of travel documents
  - Full cover in case of parental redundancy
- **Evening Entertainments may include bowling, swimming, pizza evening and presentation evening.**

### What's not included?

Ski Clothing – Jacket, Salopettes etc. all of which can be hired, Dry-slope lessons – Approx. £40 and highly recommended – lessons will be arranged for October ½ term, Spending money

### Payment Schedule

			Balance - £795
Deposit 1	By 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	£85:00	710
Deposit 2	By 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2018	£85:00	625
Interim Payment 1	By 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	£70:00	555
Interim Payment 2	By 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2018	£70:00	485
Interim Payment 3	By 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	£70:00	415
Interim Payment 4	By 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	£70:00	345
Interim Payment 5	By 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	£70:00	275
Interim Payment 6	By 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	£70:00	205
Interim Payment 7	By 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	£70:00	135
Interim Payment 8	By 28 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	£70:00	65
Final Payment	By 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2019	£65:00	0

## **SKI Tour 2019**

**TO BE RETURNED BY Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018 to: [School Office, Mr Ackland](#)**

I would like:..... tutor group: ..... to take part in the Ski-tour.

\*I understand that I have to pay an initial deposit of **£85 Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February**

\*I realise a second deposit of **£85** is required **before Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018.**

\*I understand that the **balance of this tour (or £625)** will need to be paid **by Monday 21st January 2019.**

**I also understand that once a place is offered, any deposit paid is non-refundable.**

Signed: ..... Date: .....

(Parent/Guardian)

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