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Dear Parents

### **Ski 2020 to Isola 2000, French Alps: 13-20 December 2020**

The forthcoming ski trip will be to Isola 2000, a purpose-built ski village, high in the Southern French Alps.

Isola 2000 offers 120km of high altitude skiing with a top lift height of 2610m. The chosen accommodation offers door-step skiing and there is a good choice of local après ski activities. The resort has an excellent variety of terrain with superb beginner and novice facilities with a number of long black runs for the more adventurous. Isola 2000 also benefits from a great snow record, both early and late in the season - a major consideration for the pre-Christmas Red House trip.

The hotel we will be staying at is Hotel Pas de Loup. This is a purpose built hotel, situated at the heart of the village, and it is also adjacent to a blue ski run. Guests simply step outside the hotel door to reach the slopes and ski-school meeting point.

The hotel lounge features informal seating whilst other communal areas include a games room which features a pool/billiards table. There are also TV/ DVD and classroom facilities. The basement ski lockers have heated boot storage.

The hotel has a capacity of 300 in rooms which sleep between 2-4 people. All are equipped with private en-suite facilities, a safe and TV. Bedrooms are simply decorated, and comfortably furnished throughout.

All meals are served in the hotel restaurant, which has views across the village and lower slopes of the resort.

The après ski entertainment may include cinema, pizza night, bowling, ice-skating, as well as quizzes, bingo and the all important gift shopping evening. These are group activities in which all pupils participate and the money for these activities, usually around €45, is normally taken from pupil's pocket money during the course of the holiday.

Pupils may be given permission during our stay at Isola 2000 to go shopping in small groups without the direct supervision of a member of staff. If this is the case, pupils will only be allowed in to the village in groups of three or more, and will be required to sign in and out of the hotel, where a member of staff will be on duty to monitor the process.

The trip will depart on Sunday the 13 December 2020 and return on Sunday the 20 December 2020 and precise times of departure will be confirmed in due course. The flights are likely to be EasyJet from Manchester or Liverpool, to Nice. The party will be lead by myself, and accompanying staff will be Mrs Gaunt plus three others. The trip will be covered by specialist winter sports insurance that covers all aspects of the trip, including medical insurance and is provided via the tour company, Select School Skiing. Copies of the cover can be provided for those pupils who do sign up for the trip. This wintersports insurance carries an excess of £50/claim. Any person that needs to carry an inhaler or epipen will be required to carry their own on the slopes, but may deposit a spare item with staff.

The cost of the trip remains the same as last year and will be £1135 which includes:

- Return coach transfer between school and airport
- Return flight and resort transfers from Manchester or Liverpool.
- Overseas coach transfers
- 7 nights full board accommodation – including hot lunches at the hotel
- 6 day local area lift pass.
- Ski lessons (6 days x 5hours)
- 6 days hire of skis, boots, helmet and poles (Pupils are welcome to bring their own equipment if they have it, although this will incur an extra baggage cost.)
- In-resort representation and 24 hour emergency service
- Fully comprehensive ski insurance including medical costs, ski breakage, snow guarantee etc.

Those pupils that have not been on a skiing holiday before will be given the opportunity to visit a local indoor ski slope during the period leading up to the holiday to help them prepare for the trip. This essential familiarisation session is likely to be in late October/early November 2019 and all beginners are expected to attend.

If you would like your son/daughter to go on this trip please complete the following:

- Transfer a non-returnable deposit of £200 to the school account, using 'SKI (childs initials)' as a reference.
- Complete and return a 'Code of Conduct'
- Complete and return the medical declaration
- Supply a copy of the pupils passport and EHIC (or bring them in to school for us to copy)

Pupils wishing to secure a place on the trip should see myself for hard copies of the Code of Conduct and medical declaration.

Provided all the above is in order, places will then be allocated on a first come basis. The remaining balance will become due at the beginning of September. Information concerning medical issues, passports or EHIC's that expire in the summer can be updated as and when required.

Bank account details for deposits and the final balance are as follows:

Sort code – 30 98 13  
Account number – 01776186  
Bank - Lloyds Bank

The minimum number of pupils to allow the trip to proceed is 32, and the maximum number is 50.

Further details of accurate passport numbers and expiry dates, as well as skiing ability, height, weight etc will be asked for later in the year to allow for timely completion of pre-trip documentation. Parents will be asked to submit this information electronically.

If you have any questions you would like to ask about the trip do not hesitate to contact me. I am available in school from 8am each morning or alternatively after 4pm each evening. A meeting for parents will be held in school in early December to cover issues such as confirmed timings, clothing requirements, behaviour expectations, spending money etc and details of this event will be issued closer to the time.

Please note that monies paid may not be refunded if at a later date if your son/daughter is unable to attend and the School is unable to fully recover the amount paid to the trip organiser.

Yours sincerely



Mr S Wilkinson

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I wish my daughter/son \_\_\_\_\_ to be a member of the skiing party.

Their full name as it appears on their passport is

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Their date of birth as it appears on their passport is

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Their skiing ability is Beginner/Novice/Intermediate/Advanced

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/guardian)\*

\* To comply with the Children Act, children of divorced or separated parents must have the written consent of all those with parental responsibility.