

SSH/1stSkiLet/LH

May 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

I write to inform you of an exciting opportunity for February half term 2017. We are proposing to organise a skiing holiday to Austria from 10 February – 17 February 2017, the price of which would be £910 (based on 40 students participating). This price would include all transport, full board accommodation, insurance, ski equipment hire, evening entertainment, lessons and guided skiing, lift pass and ski test awards. Expenses not covered in the price would be the optional hire of ski clothing and spending money – you may also wish to arrange for your child to have lessons at the dry ski slope nearer the time. Please see the attached sheet for confirmation of these details.

You may be aware that in recent years many students have travelled to Austria and enjoyed a wonderful experience so we hope that this venture will be well supported. The resort for this year's visit will be Uderns in the Zillertal ski area to a hotel called Bodererhof. I do appreciate that this is a lot of money so I have included a breakdown of payments so that you are fully aware of the commitment:

£100 deposit	due by Friday 20 May 2016	£150	due by Friday 30 September 2016
£175	due by Thursday 30 June 2016	£150	due by Monday 31 October 2016
£175	due by Sunday 31 July 2016	£160	due by Wednesday 30 November 2016

We anticipate a large response to this exciting opportunity. Should you wish to apply for your child to be included in our group please pay the deposit of £100 via ParentPay by 20 May 2016. If applications exceed the number of available places, places will be allocated on a lottery basis. If you have any difficulty accessing your ParentPay account, please contact the Finance Department on 01480 223336/37. Please also complete and return the attached 'Student Profile'.

If your application is successful, this deposit will be non-refundable. Please note that all monies paid in are sent to the tour operator and, therefore, will not be refundable except in the event that the circumstances of your cancellation are covered by insurance. Should your application be unsuccessful, this deposit will of course be refunded: you will only be notified should your son/daughter not gain a place. In order to participate in this trip, students are expected to have a good record of co-operative behaviour within the school as a whole and a positive attitude towards all PE lessons.

If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding, you may be able to access financial support for this trip. Pupil Premium funding is available for students who have been eligible for free school meals in the last 6 years, are looked after or have parents in the armed forces. Further advice on eligibility for Pupil Premium funding is available on our website. If you are not eligible for Pupil Premium but are currently experiencing financial hardship, the Academy *may* be able to support you. If you wish to apply for either Pupil Premium or discuss current financial hardship, please write to or email Mrs E Simpson ([esimpson@longsands.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:esimpson@longsands.cambs.sch.uk)).

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries regarding this proposed trip.

Yours sincerely



Mr S Hood  
Head of Boys' PE

### **Included in the tour price**

- All transport
- Accommodation, (full board).
- Insurance
- Ski equipment hire
- Evening Entertainment
- Lessons and guided skiing
- Ski test
- Lift pass

### **NOT Included in the tour price**

- Hire of ski clothing
- Lessons at the dry ski slope
- Spending money

### **Terms and Conditions:**

1. By paying a deposit of £100 to reserve a place on this trip, you are indicating acceptance of your obligation to pay the remaining balance once the trip is confirmed.
2. Deposits, once paid to our travel operator, are non-refundable unless another student can be found to fill the vacated place.
3. Payment of deposits indicates an acceptance of your obligation to pay the outstanding balances in amounts and by dates which will be set by the Academy, between May and November 2016.