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Dear Pupil/ Parents

The school ran a very successful ski trip this February half-term to the Ziller Valley, Austria; it was enjoyed by 77 pupils from year 8 through to the sixth form accompanied by 10 members of staff. They experienced excellent weather conditions, had great food and board, and enjoyed a range of après ski activities; everyone had a superb week.

Next years' trip will be to Bormio, Italy. The trip will depart on Friday 12th February and return on Friday 19th February 2021.

This trip will be run along similar lines to previous years; however, please note that to keep costs from escalating we have opted for an 8-day (5 days skiing), rather than 9-day (6 days skiing) duration.

Costs include:

- All travel to and from school by coach.
- 5 days lift pass.
- 5 days (5 hours a day) of skiing instruction (with local ski school instructors).
- Six days of equipment hire (skis, boots, helmets and poles).
- Comprehensive medical insurance cover.
- Full board accommodation including all meals after arrival in resort.
- An evening activity programme such as swimming, ice skating, tubing etc.
- Ski Trip Hoody.

There are additional costs to pupils taking part in this trip and these would include:

- Meals en route to and from resort.
- Dry slope instruction for beginners before departure. This is essential and will be arranged through the school for the group (approx' £50 per person for 6 hours instruction).
- Ski clothing.
- Spending money for the week.

The cost for the trip next year will be £915. Please note that a surcharge of an additional £50 will be applicable to any students who will be 18 by the departure date (to cover the additional cost of an adult ski pass).

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. In order to secure a place on the trip a deposit of £150 is required by Friday 27th March, this can be paid using the online gateway, which will be opened at 9am on Monday 9th March.

On receipt of the deposit a place will be booked on the trip (please note, that the deposit will only be refundable if a replacement is found). A payment schedule will be issued staggering the payments through to November.

There will be a Parents' Information Evening in November where the finer details of the trip will be explained and any questions answered.

Please be aware that these trips have proved very popular in the past and that places are limited, so a prompt reply is recommended.

If you, or your son/ daughter require any further information please feel free to contact me at school (01728) 723493 or mharding@thomasmills.suffolk.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mark Harding, Head of PE (Ski Party Leader)

