

28th March 2022

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Ski Trip – Austria Easter Friday 31st March – Friday 7th April 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

The trip

I am proposing to take a ski party to Austria during the first week of the Easter holidays 2023. This trip has been run previously to great success. Our tour operator will be Select School travel.

Dates

We shall depart on Friday the 31st of March 2023 and return on Friday the 7th April. We shall therefore have 5 days skiing.

Cost

Ski week - **£925**, this will cover the cost for

- full board accommodation including packed lunches,
- return transfer by executive coach from school to resort,
- return channel crossings based on Dover/Calais,
- fully comprehensive winter sports insurance,
- snow guarantee insurance,
- dedicated resort representative,
- 24 hour emergency contact number and medical assistance service,
- hire of ski equipment and helmet,
- 5 day ski lift pass,
- 5 days hire of skis, ski boots and helmets,
- 4 hours a day ski lessons for 5 days totaling 20 hours,
- all evening activities.

(In comparison a weeks' worth of ski, lessons at the Chill factore would cost £1400+)

Ski/Snowboard School Lessons

The cost of the trip includes 2 x 2-hour ski school sessions per day with instructors from the Austrian Ski School.

There is a chance to snowboard at an extra cost of £30pp. Please bear in mind that for this to go ahead we would need 8 students sign up for this, if this didn't happen your child would have to ski for the week instead.

Accommodation

All bedrooms sleep 4 – 6 and have private facilities. In the resort, there is representation from Select school travel and a 24-hour emergency service.

Equipment and Insurance

All ski equipment (skis, ski boots, poles and helmets are included). Full travel insurance is included in the price through Endsleigh Insurance.

Food and Activities

It is full board; meals are table served, plentiful and varied. During the day, packed lunches will be provided. Every evening there are après ski activities, these include, a quiz night, bowling trip, pizza night and a disco.

Transport

The cost is fully inclusive of return transfer by coach.

Who can apply?

The trip is open to students from years 7-10.

What is not included?

- Passport
- Spending money (usually between £50 and a maximum of £100)
- Skiwear e.g., jackets, trousers, gloves, sunglasses, goggles.

Jackets and trousers may be hired by a company www.skiequip.co.uk based in Stockport that I bring into school on a date after Christmas. Hire of a ski jacket and pants is £76 (including a £40 refundable deposit). They also do a Ski accessories starter pack for £100 which includes goggles, sunglasses, gloves, socks, thermals, sun cream and lip salve, fleece, and neck warmer.

Covid 19 and Vaccinations

With regards to covid 19, if your child contracts this within 14 days of the trip the insurance company will refund all monies. If your child must self-isolate because they have come into close contact with someone who has Covid 19 within the 14-day period, the insurance company will refund all monies. If our country or Austria goes into lockdown near to the departure date the insurance company will refund all monies.

Although Austria at this moment in time are not requesting all school children are vaccinated, we are recommending that your child is for the trip. This is in case these changes and to make sure that they are fully insured. If they aren't vaccinated, you are risking their insurance whilst on the trip.

Payment Plan –Please stick to this plan.

Payment must be done through the 'MyChildAtSchool' app

Deposit of £100 by **30th April 2022 (This will secure your child's place & is non-refundable)**

2nd Payment of £150 by **28th May 2022**

3rd Payment of £150 by **30th June 2022**

4th Payment of £150 by **23rd July 2022**

5th Payment of £150 by **30th August 2022**

6th Payment of £150 by **30th September 2022**

7th Payment of £75 by **30th October 2022**

***Please note that this payment plan is not a guide and needs to be adhered to if you want your child to have a place on next year's ski trip, failure to do so will mean your child will lose their place and at least the initial deposit of £100. However, if you wish to make extra payments these can be done via the MyChildAtSchool app*.**

***If your child drops out within ten weeks of departure and we can't find a replacement the company will charge 75% of the total price. If your child drops out within two weeks of departure, the company will charge 90% of the total price. ***

****If the full amount of money has not been paid by the end of February, then we will have permission to remove your child's place on the trip and you will be charged for a percentage of the overall cost, this is usually 90% of the overall price. ****

Funding

We know skiing is an expensive holiday, so to help with the overall cost we will do some fundraising usually done in our fitness suite, for example a sponsored bike ride or sponsored row the distance of the highest mountain in Austria. We also have football cards which will be given to **all students** who sign up to get sponsorship from friends and family. This is a great way to raise money towards the trip, and they can repeat this if needs be to get even more money raised.

Sponsorship opportunities will follow later in the year. There is also funding available from the school to support students to access a wide range of activities. Please see Mr. Snape regarding this or contact him via the school number (telephone number below).

Cancellation

Deposits are **non-refundable** unless we find an alternative student who wishes to go on the trip.

Ski Information Evening

There will be an information meeting held next January 2023 to go through the trip, fill out forms for clothing hire and to ask any questions. This date will be sent via letter in December 2022.

Chillfactore Beginner Day Course

If you would like your child to learn the basics of skiing or snowboarding at the Chillfactore before the trip, then there is an option to take them for a day for 6 hours of tuition to progress from the beginner slope to the lower main slope. Here they will learn how to put on their boots, how to stop and ski using parallel turns etc. which will allow them to enjoy a faster start on the trip having already gained good knowledge of the basics. This is an additional cost of £75.

How to apply

If you would like your child to be considered for a place on the trip please complete and return the enclosed reply slip. Please also complete a parental consent form and medical form for your child. Please note that in applying for a place, students must agree to exemplary standards of behavior on and off the slopes and realise that this is, in line with school policy.

I appreciate this is a lot of information to take in. I hope you have enough information about the trip to decide. Please do not let the trip cost put you off, if this is a major factor for your child not going, please ring and speak to our PE staff or email me at richard.snape@oasisoldham.org and explain what you can afford. We will work as hard as possible to bring this cost down with any fundraising events we put on or sponsorship ideas. (Please note that if your child does not have a passport you will need to apply for one)

Yours sincerely

Mr. R J Snape

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Reply Slip Ski Trip 2022

Please complete and return to a member of the PE staff as soon as possible

Surname: _____

First Name(s) as on passport: _____

I would like my child to be considered for the Ski Trip 2022.

I would like my child to attend the day session at Chillfactore. Please tick YES _____ NO _____

I understand that deposits are **non-refundable**.

I have paid £100 (via mychildatschool) as the first deposit for the trip. Please tick YES _____ NO _____

1. Date of Birth: _____

2. Age in years/months on departure date: - _____ / _____

3. Nationality _____

4. Height in CMS _____

5. Weight in kgs _____

6. UK shoe size _____

7. Ski Ability (predicted, please circle)

A Total Beginner

B At least 3 hours on artificial slope

C Intermediate: at least one week on snow

D Advanced: controlled, quality turns.

8. Head circumference in cm for the helmet _____

9. Any special dietary requirement? E.g.: vegetarian, no red meat, food allergy (specify)

10. Medical requirements

11. Passport - Number _____ 12. Start date _____

13. Expiry Date: _____

Valid and there are 3 months or more remaining after we return.

I am applying for a new passport.

14. My EHIC is valid, and the number is: _____

My EHIC has run out and I am applying for a new GHIC card

[Apply for a free UK Global Health Insurance Card \(GHIC\) - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian) **Date:** _____

Oasis Academy Oldham 2023 Ski trip

Initial School Journey Parental Consent Form

I have read and agree to the level of supervision to be provided and wish my child to be on the party list.

If for any reason my child is withdrawn, I understand that the deposit may not be refundable unless a replacement can be found, or an insurance claim made.

1. I permit my child to take part in the above-named trip and agree to him/her taking part in any or all the activities thereon.
2. I understand that, while the school staff will take all reasonable care of the students, they cannot necessarily be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury suffered by my child which occurs because of the school journey. However, should injury or illness befall my son/daughter I authorise the staff in charge to give permission for such medical treatment, including anaesthesia and/or blood transfusion, as may be deemed necessary by the medical authorities present.
3. I understand that the staff in charge of the trip have the right to exclude my child from the final party if his/her behaviour or academic standard in the ensuring period gives serious cause for concern and that any deposit paid will not be refunded unless a replacement can be obtained. *Please note: if such a situation does arise, consultation between staff and parents will first be taken).*
4. I understand that this form duly completed and signed by me, constitutes a binding contract between myself and the school, except under the conditions outlined in paragraph 3.
5. I understand that the party leader is contracting with 'Select School Travel' to provide this trip and that my child's booking is made based on 'Select School Travel' Terms of Business and Booking Conditions and of the Insurance Agreement, the terms of which I am aware and with which I agree. Please note that if your child withdraws from the trip some/all the money that you have paid will not be refunded.
6. I understand that if child leaves the school, he/she will have to withdraw from the trip and this withdrawal will be subject to Select School Travel booking conditions.
7. I have no objections to the information given above being held on computer file for the exclusive use of the school for the 2023 Ski trip only.

Child's name: _____

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian)

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