

November 2017

SKI TRIP 2019 – APRICA, ITALY

Dear Parent / Carer,

As part of the school's extra curriculum programme we are pleased to offer your daughter the opportunity to enjoy a week long skiing holiday in the February half term holiday of 2018. The trip is open to pupils of all ages (Years 7,8,9,10,11, and 12), and it is suitable for all ability levels, from beginners through to advanced skiers. The school has been running successful ski trips for a number of years now and by booking early we have been able to secure the very best possible package for 2019. The information below gives an outline of the package that is available.

- **DATE**– February 2019, departing Friday 15 and returning Saturday 23 February.
- **DESTINATION** – The excellent family friendly ski resort of Aprica in the Italian Dolomites.
- **ACCOMMODATION** – We are staying in Hotel Larice Bianco, a three star hotel, which is situated at the base of the ski runs adjacent to the lifts, and nursery slopes, offering true doorstep skiing, and a level of convenience that is hard to match. All rooms have their own en suite facilities, and TV, and Wi-fi is available in the hotel. Breakfast, a hot lunch, and evening meal are provided at the hotel. We have stayed here many times and it is one of the most sought after hotels by school groups, as the level of service is second to none. Visit <http://www.laricebiancoaprica.com/> for more details.
- **TRANSPORT** – Travel will be by executive air conditioned coach, and crossing the Channel by Eurotunnel or ferry.
- **SKI TUITION**– Your daughter will receive four hours of tuition each day, and there will also be the opportunity to ski with the teachers after lessons. If your daughter is taking GCSE PE or A Level PE then we will carry out assessments to allow your daughter to gain credit for skiing as one of her chosen sports.

- **TRAVEL COMPANY**– Having used PGL Travel Ltd for a number of successful trips abroad over the last fifteen years we are happy to retain the services of the Ski Europe branch of PGL Travel Ltd.
- **COST** –This year the cost will be **£975** which is payable in instalments over the next year. In the unlikely scenario that the group size falls below 35 students it may be necessary to increase the cost as supplements are payable when we do not take a “full group”. This trip is not covered by the Pupil Premium scheme, and as such the Academy is unable to offer any financial assistance.
- **INCLUSIVE IN THE PRICE**– Travel, all meals in the resort, ski and boot hire, lift pass, ski lessons, hotel accommodation, comprehensive insurance, snow guarantee, and the services of a Ski Rep.
- **FURTHER INFORMATION** – You can find out all about the resort by visiting the PGL web site www.pgl.co.uk. Copies of all letters and documentation, including insurance policies, related to this trip are available in the “Trips& Visits” section of the school web site, so should a letter be misplaced or lost you can easily access all of the information at the click of a mouse!
- **BOOKING A PLACE.**– If you would like to book a place for you daughter, on this trip, please complete and return the permission slip below together with a **non-returnable deposit of £75**. Please make this and all further trip payments using the Parent Pay system. If this is not possible payment should be made by cheque payable to Sandbach High School And Sixth Form College, and handed in to the Finance Office. ***All permission slips must be returned directly to the Finance Office.*** There is an initial deadline of 30 November, for the return of reply slips and payment of deposits. Places will continue to be offered on a first come first served basis after that date.
- **CANCELLATION POLICY**
The £75 deposit is non-refundable. Any cancellation after February 1st 2018 will incur a charge of £200. Cancellations within 6 months of the departure date will be charged at 50 % of the total cost (£485). Any cancellation within 10 weeks of departure will be charged at full cost (£975). This cancellation policy is non-negotiable.

Please remember that a place on any school trip is subject to your daughter's continued good behaviour. In exceptional circumstances a place on a trip may be withdrawn, in which case any monies paid will be refunded in full. If you have any further queries regarding this trip please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

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Mr. A.S. Leonard
Sixth Form Life Choices Co-ordinator

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I give permission for my daughter

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to take part in the above named trip, and I enclose a non-returnable deposit of £75. I have read, fully understand and agree to abide by the Cancellation Policy and Places Allocation Policy.

Signed.....Date

Please tick as appropriate.

I have paid a non-returnable £75 deposit via Parent Pay

I have paid a non-returnable £75 deposit at Pupil Reception

To be returned to the Finance Office