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Dear parent/guardian

Letter of Interest - Ski Trip 2025 - Les Deux Alpes, France
Friday 4 April to Friday 11 April 2025

It is a tradition at The Angmering School that we are able to offer the students a wide variety of extra curricular activities including off-site visits and journeys both in this country and abroad. One of our regular and most sought after trips amongst our school community is the annual ski trip.

The trip gives students the chance to experience the thrills of skiing and also provides an unforgettable opportunity to immerse themselves in another culture, whilst challenging themselves to be independent and resilient. As the trip includes students from across all year groups, it is a great bonding and collective experience.

Here are some of the comments from students who went on previous ski trips:

“The 2023 Ski Trip was incredible. I have never experienced the mountains before and I may never again but I will never forget the feeling of skiing down them and doing it with my friends”. Current Year 9 student.

“The whole trip was amazing. The skiing was brilliant but I just loved being with friends and getting to know different people. The week taught me so much about myself and I have realised I am able to do a lot more than I thought I could” Current Year 11 Student

Ski Trip 2025 will be during the Easter break to **Les Deux Alpes, France from Friday 4 April to Friday 11 April 2025**. This trip is being offered via **Select School Skiing**.

Les Deux Alpes is the highest domain in Europe with the guarantee of natural snow. We have chosen this particular resort as it is a snow-sure resort due to its glacier reaching 3600m. This is accessible to skiers of all levels and abilities. The vast resort includes a total of 40 lifts and 80 runs which will be the perfect location for quality skiing given the later time of the season.

The trip and cost will include:

- Coach travel with Dover to Calais Ferry crossing or Eurotunnel
- 5 nights chalet accommodation at Hotel Atmosphere - the hotel is situated next to the ski lifts and we will have sole occupancy and ski in, ski out access. .

- Breakfast, hot lunch and hot dinner (Full Board)
- 5 days (5 hours per day) skiing tuition with local ski school - (Note: all skiing is supervised)
- 5 day lift pass with hire of equipment - ski's, boots, poles and helmets
- Commemorative Hoodie
- Full Insurance via WSCC
- Full evening entertainment programme including activities such as bowling, tobogganing and night skiing.
- Services of the travel operator's representative at the resort
- Retention of the coach and drivers at the resort.

The cost of the 2025 trip will be £1475 including parent pay fee.

Students will need personal spending money, money to buy food and drink on the outward and return journeys and ski kit.

To travel, students will need a valid passport and GHIC card.

Travel to Europe may also require a ETIA (European Travel Information and Authorization System) to be applied for. This is a visa similar to which the US uses. Implementation has been delayed to May 2025 so this should not affect the 2025 Ski trip but we wish to make you aware in case it is introduced earlier.

The 2025 Ski trip is being offered to all students in Years 7,8,9,10,11 and 12.

Students must be on roll at the school at the time of the trip in order to travel. Please bear this particularly in mind if your child is currently in Year 11 as they will need to be in our School's Sixth Form in order to go on the 2025 Ski Trip.

We have an initial 40 places available. If you wish to apply for a place for your child please register your interest via this google reply form [Register Interest](#) by 9am Friday 26 January 2024.

We regret that as this is an extracurricular trip, financial assistance towards the cost is not available.

Due to the success of our ski trip over the years, traditionally we have a high number of students wanting to attend the trip. Places on the trip will be allocated by ballot if it is over subscribed. A student's attendance and behaviour in the past year will be taken into consideration when allocating places.

You will be advised the week beginning Monday 29 January if your child has a place on the 2025 Ski Trip.

Trip Payments

If your child is successful in gaining a place on the ski trip 2025, the following payments will be required:

£100 non refundable deposit - payable immediately to secure the place

£200 payable 4 weeks thereafter

Balance of £1175 payable in 10 instalments with the final instalment due at the beginning of December 2024.

More details will be given when the place on the trip is confirmed.

Please note that if your child is successful in gaining a place on the ski trip but they subsequently decide to withdraw, we cannot guarantee a full refund of any monies paid (less deposit) unless we can find another student to take their place.

Covid Considerations

Should there be changes in government guidelines which results in a trip having to be cancelled as has happened previously during the pandemic , we are no longer able to claim on WSCC insurance for any loss. For this reason we are now only booking trips where the company providing the trip offers a robust cancellation/refund system in respect of Covid cancellations.

Although the Covid situation is more settled and we are now following the “Living with Covid” strategy, we still have to be aware that this situation may change. We will have to follow the Government guidance both here and in France at the time of the Ski Trip.

This may require students to be vaccinated to comply with overseas travel requirements so please consider this when expressing your child’s interest in the trip.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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