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Dear Parent/Carer

Ski Trip 2023

It is the aim of Bourne End Academy not only to encourage students in their academic studies but also to develop their social skills and physical fitness through experiencing environments outside their normal day-to-day lives. We are organising a school ski trip during the February half term in 2023 to Sestriere Resort, Italy, with 321ski, please do look at their [website](#). The Sestriere resort offers a 440km ski area offering excellent differentiation for those beginning to learn to ski and those who are more advanced and skied before.

This trip is open to students who are currently in Year 9, 10, 11 and 12. For students in Year 11, Bourne End Academy must be their first choice and have all intentions of staying for Sixth Form to be considered for the trip. It is essential that all places are filled for this trip to be viable.

The cost of the trip will be £1290. A non-refundable deposit of £250 will be required via ParentPay to secure a student place. It is also important that you accept and return The Ski Contract which can be found on this Microsoft Form – [please click here](#). Any application without the deposit or completed Ski Contract via the Microsoft Form will not be considered. **The deadline for this to be completed is 18th March 2022.** Should there be more than the required number apply for the trip the students will be chosen at random.

The final balance of the trip must be paid by **18th November 2022**, which is 12 weeks prior to the trip departing. ParentPay will remain open for you to make payments towards this trip as and when you wish to.

Please note that the cost **will include**:

- ~ Flights and transfers to the hotel
- ~ Full board hotel accommodation mainly in 2, 3 or 4 bedrooms with en-suite facilities, including breakfast and evening meal.
- ~ Hot lunches on the days skiing
- ~ Ski instruction – 5 hours per day for 6 days with qualified ski school instructors
- ~ 6 days' hire of skis and boots
- ~ Full area ski lift pass
- ~ Comprehensive winter sports insurance
- ~ Evening activities including tubing and visit to a local pizzeria
- ~ Hoodie

Please note that the cost **will not include**:

- ~ Drinks except with breakfast (water is placed on tables for the evening meal and at lunchtime)
- ~ Pocket money
- ~ Specialist clothing and ski wear
- ~ Individual tourist tax (this needs to be paid by individuals on arrival at the hotel costing €1.50 per night).

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Once student places have been confirmed I will write to all parents with details of the information evening where I will provide more specific trip details and answer any further questions. At this time, I will also need to collect further details to facilitate the ski hire and accommodation bookings.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school 'Contact Us' form.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Keitch
Trip Leader