

7<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Ski Trip 2025**

Following the success of our ski trip earlier this year, it is hoped to be able to organise a further trip in 2025. To keep the cost down and reflective of previous visits, we are planning on going to Aprica, Italy on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January for 6 nights (5 days skiing).

The village of Aprica has a very convenient resort layout ideal for both coach and air groups, offering plenty to do on and off the slopes. With an enviable snow record, a great range of skiing for all abilities and lively Italian atmosphere, school trips to Aprica are extremely popular. Situated at 1181m with skiing up to 2361m, lift access to the pistes are found at three points offering both an extensive nursery area and wide variety of well prepared runs. The Tour operator that we have chosen to use is SkiBound who are the specialist school travel brand of Tui. They are a member of the School Travel Forum and both ATOL and ABTA bonded.

### **Course Details**

Parents of participating pupils are responsible for the full cost of the course plus ski clothing, pocket money and dry slope lessons if these are needed. The cost of the trip will be £1070 (which is only a slight increase from previous years) includes

- Return flights from a regional airport and coach transfer to and from school
- Airport taxes and all other charges
- Airport to resort coach transfers
- 6 nights full board accommodation at the Hotel Posta
- 5 day local lift pass
- 5 days hire of ski equipment (skis, boots and poles)
- Helmet hire
- Evening Entertainment and Apres activities
- 5 days x 4 hours ski instruction from fully qualified instructors
- Fully comprehensive winter sports holiday insurance

As teachers, we undertake great responsibilities when taking students on visits. We must be sure that every member of the school party can be relied upon to behave in a mature and responsible manner, not act in any way that will endanger the safety or reputation of himself or herself, the group or any other person. In line with our values and behaviour expectations, any students with 25 negative behaviour points at the time the trip is released or at the time the trip is due to depart will not be allowed on the trip as he/she will not have displayed the

expected level of behaviour in school to appropriately represent CMS outside of school. This could result in a refund not being given.

### **Payment and deposits**

In order to maintain the price guarantee offered by the company, payments must be made by the dates published in the payment schedule. All payments should be made by Parent Pay. We appreciate that this course is expensive but unfortunately no financial assistance can be given. It is also the responsibility of each student to have a valid passport and European Health Insurance Card for the dates of the course.

Places on this visit are limited, in the event of the trip being oversubscribed a ballot will be used to allocate places and then a waitlist will be issued. Should you wish your son/daughter to be included in the proposed course please return the attached form.

You will be notified if a place has been allocated to your child, and this is when the first deposit should be made. Please note that all deposits are **NON-REFUNDABLE**

As per the terms and conditions set by Skibound, any cancellations of places within the booking period will incur charges and full refunds of any monies paid will not be given unless a medical certificate is provided. Please see the travel provider's website for their terms and conditions.

If you have any questions please contact myself in school [md@codsall-middle.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:md@codsall-middle.staffs.sch.uk)

Your Sincerely,

*M. Davison*

Mrs Davison  
Assistant Headteacher



**CONSENT FORM**  
SKI COURSE 2025 – Aprica, Italy

I would like my son/daughter to travel abroad and to be included on the ski course to Aprica, Italy.

I will pay the deposit (£150) by Parentpay once my child's place has been confirmed on the trip.

Name and form of pupil: .....

Any previous ski experience:

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Signed (Parent/Carer): .....

Date:.....

Please Print Name (Parent/Carer):

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To be returned to **Mrs Davison** at school by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December.