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20th September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

2025 Ski Trip- France

Following the success of our ski trip earlier this year, it is hoped we are able to organise a further trip in 2025. We are planning on going to Alpe D'Huez, France from Saturday 1st March until Saturday 8th March 2025.

The resort of Alpe D'Huez is ideal for school trips as it offers a safe, secure environment. The hotel is less than a two-minute walk to the ski school meeting point, giving convenient access to the piste. Alpe D'Huez has one of the largest areas for beginners in Europe and slopes that offer quick and easy progression for intermediates. For the more advanced skier the area has 250kms of piste including the world famous Tunnel and Sarrenne 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 protected.

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 current economic crisis has meant that lots of prices are increasing and this is also impacting our ski trip. The cost of the trip will be £1300 which 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
- 7 nights full board accommodation at the ClubHotel Vallee Blanche
- 6 day local lift pass
- 6 days hire of ski equipment (skis, boots and poles)
- Helmet hire
- Evening Entertainment and Apres activities
- 6 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 to 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.



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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 for this course. 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 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. Places will <u>NOT</u> be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

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

Your Sincerely,

M. Davison

Mrs Davison Assistant Head Teacher



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CONSENT FORM

SKI COURSE 2025 - Alpe D' Huez - France

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I would like my son/daughter to travel abroad and to be included on the ski course to Alpe D'Huez, France.	
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:	
Signed (Parent/Carer): Date:	
Please Print Name (Parent/Carer):	

To be returned to Mrs Davison at school by Monday 25th September 2023.

