

Friday 23 May 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Year 7 and 8 Ski Trip Saturday 14 February - Saturday 21 February 2026

This is a reminder for any students who wish to participate in the Ski trip next year. Please do sign your child up if you have not done so previously. We are extending our deadline to June 1 to register interest via this <u>form</u>.

We are pleased to offer students the opportunity to attend the Ski Trip in February 2026 to Les Deux Alpes, France.

This high-altitude resort is now well established on the European ski map, set in a high, sunny valley bordered on both sides by steep east and west-facing slopes. Les Deux Alpes is home to the Mont de Lans Glacier, which is Europe's largest skiable glacier at over 3200m, meaning that snow is guaranteed at whatever time of the year.



Accommodation

We will be staying at Hotel Turan, ideally located just a 2-minute walk from the Village 1800 four-person chair lift, offering quick and easy access to the slopes. The hotel provides a comfortable and welcoming base for the trip, with modern facilities, near local amenities for students to explore under supervision.

The trip will cost £2150. This price includes:

- Return flights including airport taxes.
- Transfers
- 7 nights full board accommodation
- 6 day hire of skis, boots, poles and helmets
- 6 x 4-hour ski tuition
- 6 day lift pass

The only additional cost will be a small amount of spending money.

Beginners

If your child has not skied before they are welcome to join the trip; every year we introduce pupils to the sport successfully. However, we do insist that they attend 4, two-hour lessons at the Hemel Snow Centre (www.thesnowcentre.com) prior to the trip to ensure they are well prepared for the week. We also recommend these lessons for pupils with less than 1 week ski experience. If there is sufficient interest and need for ski lessons, then we will look to run these after school. More information to register interest for these to follow.

Registering interest

The trip has space for 56 pupils to ensure safe operation and will be split equally between years 7 and 8 students. Spaces are allocated by random selection and we will operate a waiting list. We understand there may be some disappointment if your child does not get a place, but we aim to make the selection as fair as possible. If your child has been offered a place, we will ask for a non-refundable £500 deposit to be paid via EvolvePay by the deadline date which will be in the offer letter. Once you have paid the deposit you are liable for the full trip costs should your child need to withdraw at any time. Please note there will be a quick turnaround for this deposit.

We will get confirmation of flight details nearer the trip departure, but in previous years we have arrived back to school on the Saturday evening

Important Medical/Contact Information

In order to best support and care for your child, it is imperative that we have accurate and upto-date Medical Information on our school system. We ask that if there have been any significant changes to your child's medical record up to two weeks before the trip, that you please logon to Firefly. If less than two weeks before the trip, please contact the trip leader with the details. Students who use an AII (Adrenaline Auto-Injector, brands such as; Emerade, Jext or Epipen) must ensure they bring two with them on the day otherwise they will be unable to attend the trip.

If your child has a requirement for medicine during a residential trip, you must complete the required medical form and return to the trip leader. Any subsequent changes to your child's medication prior to departure is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify the trip leader.

It is essential that we have up-to-date contact details for parents at all times. If there have been any recent changes to these details, please contact the school office.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Anna Mills Head of House, Teacher of Physical Education

