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Dear Parent/Carer

Ski Trip (January 2027) – Bormio, Italy

After the success of last year's trip, the Dronfield Henry Fanshawe School PE department are delighted to once again offer the opportunity for a residential ski trip to Bormio Italy.

The trip aims to give students the opportunity to learn and develop skills in skiing. Skiing in Italy also corresponds with the schools social, moral, spiritual and cultural work aimed at developing the whole child. During the trip students will be expected to organise themselves effectively, develop new friendships and embrace a different culture.

The trip will depart from school on Saturday 16th January 2027, returning on Saturday 23rd January.

DHFS is committed to supporting families who may have experienced financial difficulties and believe our cultural residential trips should be accessible to all. Therefore 20% of the places on this trip will be prioritised for Pupil Premium students. DHFS is supporting 50% of the cost of the trip for these students.

The full cost of the visit will be £1,424 reduced to £700 for Pupil Premium students. This pricing is based on 49 students travelling; please be aware that if the final number is fewer, the overall price could rise slightly. Included in the cost of the trip are:

- Return UK airport transfers by coach
- Flights, taxes and 20kg hold baggage allowance
- 7 nights full board accommodation
- 6-day ski lift pass
- 6 four-hour skiing lessons (2 hours morning, 2 hours afternoon per day)
- Equipment hire including compulsory helmet and personalised ski trip hoodie.
- Pizza and Karaoke evening
- Full health and medical insurance

We will be staying at the 4-star Funivia hotel in the resort of Bormio. This will be the school's first time using this hotel and we have received excellent reports regarding the standard of accommodation and food, www.hotelfunivia.it

Due to the high numbers of applications in the previous three years, this trip is initially only open to students in Y7, Y8 and Y9, (travelling as Y8, Y9, Y10 in 2027).

In the resort students will be put in an appropriate ski school group depending on their ability. Ski lessons will consist of 2 hours teaching in the morning and a further 2 hours teaching in the afternoon.

As a result of intensive teaching throughout the week, we find that students make excellent progress in their skiing.

There will be a full programme of evening activities during the week including disco, karaoke, pizza and quiz night.

Our aim at DHFS is to be inclusive and to offer opportunities to as many students as possible. However, participation in residential visits is subject to an individual assessment of a student's attendance, engagement, wellbeing and readiness to access the experience safely. Where attendance concerns exist, the school will work with students and families to identify barriers and consider whether missing time from the student's timetabled curriculum is appropriate.

If you are willing for your daughter/son to participate in this visit, please email Mrs C. Burgin cburgin@dhfs.uk to register your initial interest (**Childs Name, Year and Mentor Group**), by no later than Friday 19th June. If places are oversubscribed by this date, students will be chosen by a random ballot to fill the 49 spaces.

If you are successful in the ballot, you will be informed by email by Friday 5th July. At that point you will be required to pay a £275 (£137 Pupil Premium student) non-refundable deposit via Parent Pay by Friday 3rd July. Unsuccessful applications will be placed on a waiting list. On receipt of the deposit by the required date your place becomes confirmed, and the following payment schedule should be adhered to:

Instalment 1 - £ 249 (PP Students £ 175) by Friday 14th August

Instalment 2 - £ 450 (PP Students £ 200) by Friday 18th September

Instalment 2 - £ 450 (PP Students £ 200) by Friday 13th November

If your child wishes to withdraw after the payment of the non-refundable deposit, any further monies paid may only be refunded if a replacement can be found.

If your child is successful in gaining a place on this trip, they will require a full passport with a minimum of three months validity beyond the date of return, i.e. 23rd April 2027 and a Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). GHIC cards are available free of charge from www.nhs.uk/ehic.

More information regarding the trip will be sent out to the successful students in July. There will also be a ski trip parents evening in November where final details will be given out, and you will have the opportunity to ask any questions you have regarding the trip.

Should you require any further information regarding this trip please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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