

11th November 2009

Dear Parent,

SKI TRIP 2011 – La Plagne, France

I am proposing to take a party of children and at least 4 teaching staff from Holme Grange on a ski trip to France during the Christmas Holidays of 2011. The trip is open to children who will be in Years 4 – 8. The group will depart on Sunday 2nd January and return on Sunday 9th January. Travel will be by coach and air. All arrangements will be made by SkiBound who are one of the most recognised names in school skiing with 26 year's experience of operating ski tours.

The resort we have chosen is La Plagne. This is one of the first purpose-built ski resorts in France, and with 225 kms of piste and an additional 200 kms on the Paradiski lift pass, is one of the largest and most exciting ski areas in the world. The extensive network of pistes in La Plagne alone is enough to allow us to explore a new variety of slopes virtually every day. Excellent nursery areas are to be found in each of the main villages, whilst for intermediates, La Plagne has long, open pistes and winding runs down to the lower resorts. For advanced skiers, there are some daring black runs leading down from the Glacier de Bellecôte. It therefore provides super doorstep skiing and has slopes which will meet the needs of skiers of all abilities.

Accommodation will be full board in a 3 star hotel with a hot midday meal or packed lunch provided. The hotel is located on the slopes and therefore offers ski in ski out facilities. All rooms will have private facilities and will accommodate 2 to 6 people.

Skiing is a strenuous activity but also very exhilarating and great fun. Pupils will receive 4 hours of ski instruction each day from the local ski school. The breakup of these lessons has yet to be agreed. All ski equipment is provided locally, (i.e. skis, boots and poles) and the lift pass is also included. A full 6 days skiing and tuition will be provided on this trip. Each member of the party will need to provide their own ski-wear.

A programme of evening activities will be arranged which have been included in the overall cost of the trip. These could include sledging, ice-skating, movie night, disco and awards night, bingo, quiz, bowling and chocolate fondue evening.

The total cost for this trip will be £745.00. This includes:-

- Return flights from London.
- Airport Taxes.
- Free coach to airport
- Transfers between the overseas airport and our accommodation.
- Full Medical and Travel Insurance Cover – Exclusions may apply.
- 7 nights full board accommodation based on multi-bedded rooms. Drinks with meals other than breakfast are not included.
- 6 day hire of skis, boots and poles.
- 6 x 4 hours ski tuition
- 6 full day lift pass.
- Resort representative service.
- Ski Breakage Insurance.
- Piste Closure Insurance.
- APD Government Tax
- Evening entertainment
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The cost does not include Snowboarding lessons or ski helmets but are available as a supplement on request. Spending money which will be limited to an appropriate amount, probably £50-£60 will also be required.

The trip price is dependent upon us securing 30 places on the ski trip. Should we fail to meet this number then a further supplement will be payable.

The cost of the trip will be held without obligation until the 27th November 2009, when I will be required to complete and return the booking form together with a deposit of £80.00 per paying member to secure the booking. Therefore if your child/ren is interested in being part of this exciting trip please complete and return the attached form together with the deposit of £80.00 to Mrs Hall, via the School Office by **Monday 23rd November**. Please make cheques payable to Holme Grange School and write 'Ski trip 11' and your child's name and form on the back. Deposits are non-refundable. Once the trip is booked I will be able to inform you of the payment schedule for the trip.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Hall

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Name:	
Current Year and Form:	
<u>Level of Skiing</u>	<i>(Please tick appropriate box)</i>
Beginner	
Intermediate	
Advanced	
Parent's Signature:	