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Dear Parent/Carer,

Andorra Ski Trip, 5th – 12th April 2020 - Information Evening 6th February 2019, 6pm

We are very excited to be able to let you know about a ski trip we are proposing to run to Andorra for students from current Year 7, 8, 9 and 11, over the first week of Easter 2020, leaving Sunday 5th April 2020 and returning on Sunday 12th April 2020.

After reviewing many different options, we have decided to use Equity, a well-established company offering a very competitive package.

The total cost of the 2020 trip is £1,012, and this includes:

- International flights from Bristol (BRS) to Barcelona Airport (BCN)
- Coach transfers from Barcelona to ski resort, **Grandvalira** in Andorra
- Bed, breakfast and evening meal accommodation at the **Hotel Encamp** in Grandvalira
- 6-day ski pass
- 6 days of skiing with 4 hours of instruction per day by qualified instructors
- Lunch on mountain each skiing day
- Ski equipment hire (skis, boots, poles and helmet)
- Insurance
- Full après-ski activity programme
- **The cost of ski clothing is not included**

The trip proposal is as follows:

- There will be a maximum of 40 students accompanied by 4 staff
- We will be staying at the Hotel Encamp in Andorra. All rooms are ensuite with a safe deposit box. There is a communal lounge area, games room and dining area
- Evening activities (swimming and bowling) are included in the cost. A full apres-ski programme will be confirmed nearer the time.
- We will be skiing at Grandvalira, with over 200km of pistes for all to enjoy!

In order to provide you with all the relevant information and give you an opportunity to ask any questions, I would like to invite you to an information evening to be held in the school hall at 6pm on Wednesday 6th February.

If you cannot make this information evening but are still interested in the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me on enquiries@oldfieldschool.com FAO Mr Gann. The presentation and further information will also be available on the school website under "School trips".



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Students who have previously taken part in ski trips have found it to be a most rewarding experience. They have reported that they have increased confidence due to learning a new skill, experiencing a different culture and being part of a team.

The students who go on the ski trip will be representing our school. It is therefore imperative that their behaviour is exceptional. Each student will be required to carefully read and sign the 'safety and expectations agreement' with a parent/carer. In the event of serious incidents occurring whilst we are away, the school reserve the right to send students home at the expense of parents/carers.

Please note spaces available for this trip are limited to 40. The initial non-refundable deposit of £150 will be available to pay on ParentPay from Monday 11th February – Wednesday 27th February. Payment must be made using the ParentPay system, www.parentpay.com. If you do not have your log in details, please contact our Finance Officer at the school. In case of oversubscription, students will be randomly selected and if your child does not receive a place, your deposit will be refunded.

In the event that a student is no longer willing/able to take part in a school trip after payment has been made, the following procedure will be followed:

- If the school is able to fill the place with another student who wishes to take part, there will be a full refund.
- If the school is not able to fill the place with another student, the school will only be able to refund any monies that we are able to secure from the provider.

Places on residential trips are subject to maintaining good behaviour in school. In the event that a student has a fixed term exclusion from school, any places they have secured on residential trips will be withdrawn. If the school is able to fill the place with another student who wishes to take part, there will be a full refund. If the school is not able to fill the place with another student, the school will refund all monies paid, with the exception of the non-refundable deposit.

Further payments will be required as follows:

£150 by 22.03.19
£150 by 03.05.19
£150 by 12.07.19
£200 by 20.09.19
£150 by 18.10.19
And £62 by 22.11.19

Please note your child's place on the ski trip is subject to their continued good behaviour throughout the school year.



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I look forward to meeting you on 6th February at the Information Evening.

Yours faithfully

Mr C Gann
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