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Dear Parents,

Ski Trip 15-23 February 2020 – Pila, Aosta Valley, Italy
Price: £1050 fully inclusive (same as 2019!)

I am delighted to announce that after another successful trip during half-term, we are launching our latest Italy ski trip for current Year 7 and 8 pupils. It will take place in February 2020. We will once again be travelling with Interski.

Please take time to look at the company website www.interski.co.uk. We will be staying at Hotel Casale (www.hotelristorantecasale.it), which is on the outskirts of Aosta and a ten-minute drive to the gondola and ski-hire station in Aosta. The main details of the trip are summarised below:

- **Accommodation** - 6 nights hotel accommodation in a 3* hotel with breakfast and evening meal
- **Hot lunches** - Lunch vouchers for daily one hour fully supervised lunches on the mountain
- **Lift pass** - 6-day lift pass
- **Return travel** - From school to the resort by executive coach and cross channel ferry
- **Tuition** - 6-day snowsport course including 5 hours tuition per day by fully qualified English speaking instructors
- **Ski, boot and helmet hire** - From the company's own purpose-built equipment hire centre
- **Après-ski activities** - An exciting and varied après-ski programme, with activities including pizza night, ice cream, bowling and snow tubing.
- **Insurance** - Comprehensive winter sports insurance
- **Awards** - Interski test with metal badges and certificates awarded on the final evening
- **Medical assistance** - the company's unique 'Resort Rescue' service means there will be a dedicated member of staff on hand to translate, coordinate and liaise on insurance matters, should any students require medical attention of any kind
- **Snowco** - Access to the services of Snowco, an in-house ski wear rental service that delivers high quality rental ski wear direct to our hotel in the resort
- **Membership of Interski Ski and Save** - which entitles students to discounts at a number of indoor and outdoor slopes in the UK

There are 45 pupil places. Current Year 8s will be guaranteed a place (unless there are more than 45 who apply in which case random selection will be used). Current Year 7s will be chosen by random selection if the total number exceeds 45. I will confirm places w/c 11/3/2019.

Please note that we cannot make any refunds for this trip once monies have been paid to Interski unless we have a waiting list of reserves. We would not want any pupil to not be able to take advantage of this opportunity due to financial hardship. If you would like to discuss this in confidence, please contact me.

If you would like your son to go on this trip, please log on to Parentpay, look up 'Ski trip Italy 2020', and pay an initial deposit of £100 by **Friday 8th March**. If you are unable to pay online, please contact the Finance Office to pay by an alternative method.

There will be a presentation evening for parents and boys at School in the Autumn Term to give out important information about the trip and to answer any questions you may have, but please contact me if you have any more urgent queries.

Yours sincerely,
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