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Dear Parents/Carers

LIVERPOOL PRIMARY SCHOOLS' SKI COURSES 2025

During this January and early March the Liverpool Primary Ski Association held two very successful ski courses in Bormio, in northern Italy, involving 240 Liverpool Primary aged children. The children skied with great confidence and expertise. There were no injuries among the children during the two weeks of skiing. The Association is holding a further trip in late March.

I have recently received an invitation from the Liverpool Primary Ski Association for our school to be part of the 2025 ski course. Children from current **Years 3, 4 and 5** are eligible to attend this course. We have been offered **20 places** on the ski trip. These will be allocated on first come first served basis.

The Association has negotiated three trips for 2025. Negotiations have been very difficult this year as virtually all costs relating to ski trips have risen for next year. The total cost for the 2025 ski trips will be **£1019**. Given the present economic climate in Europe this price still represents excellent value. We are able to spread the cost over a period of nine months and next year's price represents only a £7 per month increase on last year's payment schedule. The trips will take place in Italy and will be held as follows:

Saturday 18th January to Saturday 25th January 2025: Hotel Girasole in Bormio.

Saturday 1st March to Saturday 8th March 2025: Hotel Girasole in Bormio.

Saturday 15th March to Saturday 22nd March 2025: Hotel Girasole in Bormio.

Please note the trips might be moved to Sunday travel days depending on flight availability. I will notify you of which week we have been allocated in the near future. The trips will be covered by an Insurance Policy provided through the Liverpool Authority.



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Parents from our school, who wish their children to be considered to take part in the Ski trip, are invited to provide me with deposits at an early stage and at least by **Thursday 28th March 2024**. This will then allow me to ask the Association to arrange for our school to be considered for one of the ski courses.

Should you book your child onto the trip you will be asked to bring to school a **passport that is valid up to 1st October 2025**. If your child does not have a passport or has a passport that will not be valid **you must apply for a passport immediately**.

You must also bring into school a Health Card. This can be a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) if it is still valid up to the end of March 2025 or a Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). You can apply for a GHIC through the www.nhs.uk web-site free of charge. Again, if your child does not have a valid Health Card you must apply for one immediately.

You must bring both the passport and the Health Card to school by **22nd April 2024**, which is the deadline for your second ski trip payment. At this point you will be committed to your child going on the ski trip. If you are unable to bring a valid passport and Health card to school by 22nd April your child's place on the ski trip will have to be cancelled and your deposit will be returned to you.

The ski courses have been booked through the Ski Team 4 Ski Company, which is quality assured through the Learning Outside of the Classroom scheme. The company is also an ABTA member.

At this time the Liverpool Primary Ski Association is exploring the possibility of accessing some grant funding. If a bid for such funding were to be successful the Association may be in a position to reduce some of the final instalments which parents will be expected to pay to achieve a lower overall cost. However, if such funding cannot be secured the cost will remain at £1019.



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The payment schedule for the trip is outlined below. It is important to note that the **payments must be made by the dates given** to ensure the balance can be paid to the Primary Ski Association.

To ensure transparency on additional expense to the cost of the trip, your child will require €80 spends, £10 airport spends and will require the purchase of ski clothing; a ski jacket, a pair of salopettes, ski gloves and a few pairs of ski socks.

| Date | Payment |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 28 th March 2024 | £100 (Deposit) |
| 22 nd April 2024 | £115 |
| 17 th May 2024 | £115 |
| 14 th June 2024 | £115 |
| 15 th July 2024 | £115 |
| 9 th September 2024 | £115 |
| 9 th October 2024 | £115 |
| 8 th November 2024 | £115 |
| 6 th December 2024 | £114 |
| Total | £1019 |

DETAILS OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS' SKI COURSES IN 2025:

The price of the course covers all of the following:

- Return flights between Liverpool or Manchester and Milan.
- Coach transfers to and from the ski resort
- 7 nights full-board accommodation
- Two ski lessons per day, for six days
- Lift pass for six days to cover the resort area
- Hire of skis, ski boots, ski poles and safety helmet.
- Full instruction and assessment from an instructor from a local Ski School.
- Fully comprehensive insurance.
- Daily evening entertainment (usually including quiz, karaoke, bingo etc.)



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As with all our school trips we expect children who do take part to demonstrate a very high standard of behaviour. The children will also need to have a very good level of fitness and maturity.

Please complete the attached slip to have your child considered for a place. Return the slip with a deposit of £100. **According to the Terms and Conditions that apply to these trips once your child's booking for the trip is confirmed your payments are not refundable. Should a child then be withdrawn from a trip all monies owing for the trip will be expected to be paid in full.**

Yours faithfully,

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Child's Name: _____ Current Class: _____

Child's Name: _____
(as on passport)

Passport Number: _____

Passport Country of Issue: _____

Or

Passport Application number: _ _ _ _ _

Date of Application: _____

Passport Country of Issue: _____

I wish my child to attend the 2025 Ski course and have made a payment of **£100** deposit via

- Cash**
- Card**
- Cheque (made payable to St Margaret's Anfield CE Primary School)**

I understand that my payment of the deposit at this stage can be regarded as provisional and will be confirmed by letter following the payment of the second instalment, evidence of a valid passport or passport application and a valid Health card or health card application.

Once my child's place on the Ski trip is confirmed and the full payment is put in place the full Terms and Conditions of the trip will apply. At this point all payments will become non-refundable.

I understand and accept the Terms and Conditions that will apply to the trip as described above.

Signed _____



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