

SKI TOUR TO NEW HAMPSHIRE (USA) FEBRUARY 2020 FOR OUR CURRENT YEAR 8 AND 9 PUPILS ONLY

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Arrangements have been made for a ski tour to Hew Hampshire in the USA. The tour will leave on Saturday 15th February 2020 and return one week later.

The ski tour will take place during the February half term break (15th - 22nd Feb). The tour operator we have chosen is Topflight who have a excellent track record in organising ski tours for schools. This year we have chosen to return to the USA for our ski trip. We understand that this is more expensive and to make sure that as many of our pupils as possible get the opportunity to ski a **European tour will be organised next year (Feb 2021) the approximate cost of this tour will be £1000.** This tour will be available to our current Year 8. Current Year 9 won't be eligible for this trip. From now on the ski trip will alternate between the USA and Europe.

The cost of the ski tour this year will be £1379.

This includes:

return flights to Boston from Dublin;
all airport taxes;
coach transfers to and from Dublin Airport; all resort transfers;
six nights half board accommodation @ Golden Eagle Lodge;
5 day lift pass; **2 Days @ Waterville Valley** and **3 Days @ Loon Mountain**
4 hours of ski lessons per day;
hire of ski equipment (skis, boots, poles and helmets);
evening activities, e.g. cinema, shopping trip and last day visit to Boston;
comprehensive insurance cover; and
a contribution towards staff cover.

Additional Costs:

You will have to pay ESTA Homeland Security costs (visa). This is approximately £10 and is paid directly to the US government when you register your child's passport online. Further details will be given on this at a later date.

If you wish your child to join the February 2020 ski tour, please indicate your agreement on the attached slip after reading the enclosed medical declaration concerning the insurance cover. Please note that places are limited and will only be available to our current Year 8 and 9 pupils. **All applications are accepted provisionally and the school reserves the right not to accept applications from pupils whose *record of conduct or academic progress is poor*. Pupils who subsequently fall into this category may be withdrawn from the tour at any time with no refund of deposits paid.**

The school is, as always, grateful for your support.

D. Bradley
Tour Organiser



Medical Declaration (from Topflight)

If **you** are under 16 years of age on the date of departure and traveling outside Europe to a Worldwide destination, **you** need to tell **us** of anything that is likely to affect our acceptance of your cover.

In order that **we** can ensure **you** are provided with the best cover we can offer please read the following questions carefully:

- a) Have you ever had treatment for -
- A heart or circulatory condition,
 - A stroke or high blood pressure,
 - A breathing condition (such as asthma),
 - Any type of cancer,
 - Any type of diabetes,
 - Any psychological condition (such as stress, anxiety or depression)?
- b) Have you seen your GP or been referred to a hospital or specialist consultant for a health condition that has;
- Been diagnosed within the last 12 months,
 - Been in existence in the last 12 months,
 - Resulted in treatment being given in the last 12 months?

If **you** have answered “Yes” to any of the above **you** must declare this to the group organiser who will contact the insurance company to find out if cover can be granted.

BOOKING FORM

I have read the Terms and Conditions of the visit as described in the letter and medical declaration, and agree to be bound by them and agree to pay the total cost of £1379.

An **initial deposit of £200** should be paid within one week of receiving the payment plan, payments will be made electronically. You will be forwarded these details once we have received a completed booking form. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. **A further £200 deposit** is required by the tour company and should be in school no later than **Friday 5th April 2019**. The balance of the **full amount** is then due no later than the **Friday 8th November 2019**. A full schedule of payments will be sent out at a later date.

[Please note that the initial deposits (£400) are non-refundable once they have been forwarded to the tour company unless a medical claim, covered by the insurance company, is valid].



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For our current Year 8 and 9 Pupils Only

Name of Pupil (exactly as it appears on their passport)

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Form Class

Address

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Post Code

Telephone No. Mobile No.

Signed (parent/guardian)

Date

My Son/Daughter does not suffer from any condition which would affect the insurance cover. (If you can't tick this box please contact the tour organiser for further information).

A £200 deposit should be paid within one week of receiving the electronic payment plan.

