



HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE



“Develop all learners to achieve their full potential” “Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**

29 September 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

Heanor Gate Ski Tour – Austria 2018

Unfortunately there has been a miscommunication between the hotel providers and our travel company. As such, **our reservation has been made at the resort of Azamer Lizum** and not Seefeld. This is not an issue in the slightest and actually provides students with a greater range of piste and ski terrain (75km, 34 runs & 19 lifts) to enjoy whilst out on the mountains. The resort was home to the 1964 & 1976 Winter Olympics and also offers doorstep skiing, as well as all of the other amenities we would have accessed at the other resort. The central location also offers a greater range of evening activities for us whilst out in Austria, and included doorstep skiing which will reduce any time lost traveling to and from the mountains.

We will be holding a **parents' information evening on Tuesday 31 October from 6-7pm** in the main school hall. This evening will provide full details of the trip, details of the full itinerary and advice on equipment and the upcoming visits to Tamworth Snow Dome.

The majority of students are up to date with the payment schedule but just a polite reminder that this week is the due date for the 4th instalment. Remaining payments are highlighted below. If you have any concerns or issues regarding payments, please contact us.

- w/c 18 September 2017- £150
- w/c 9 November 2017- £145

As promised we will be visiting Tamworth Snow Dome on numerous occasions to give students an opportunity to develop and practise skiing before departing for Austria. The dates of these trips will be: Tuesday 14 November, Wednesday 29 November, Thursday 14 December, Thursday 18 January & Wednesday 31 January. On all occasions we will be leaving school at 3.15pm and returning at around 7.30pm. The sessions are completely optional but are well advised for those who are new to skiing, as they will help provide a solid platform and accelerate their progress once up on the mountain. Each session will cost £17.50 per student and include ski hire, ski pass and an hour's small group tuition from a qualified instructor. Students who have skied before, at a competent level, are more than welcome to attend the sessions and will be allowed to ski recreationally.

Spaces on the trip are limited due to seats on the mini buses. Each trip will be able to accommodate a maximum of 30 students and to book a provisional place on the trip you will need to return the reply slip below to Miss Underhill or Mrs Meakin in J block no later than Friday 6 October. Spaces will be offered on a first come, first served basis and we will be in touch w/c 9 October to arrange payment for any sessions students sign up for.

We are looking forward to a wonderful trip. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact either of us at school.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Jones
Vice Principal & Trip Leader

Miss L Underhill
Deputy Trip Leader

Name of student: Tutor group:



13/11 Mon	29/11 Wed	14/12 Thur	18/1 Thur	31/1 Wed

Please tick the dates you would like your child to attend Tamworth snow dome sessions. (Note each session will cost £17.50)

*Please tick this box if your child is a recreational skier and does not require qualified tuition on these trips.

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