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Ski Trip
Spring Half Term 13th – 21st February 2026
Cost: £1630 Ski TEAM4
(Liskeard School Finance Office: 01579 325712)

Dear Parent/Guardian,

For many years, Liskeard School and Community College have offered the opportunity for students to experience the thrills and delights of a Skiing trip. We are extremely excited with the return of this trip during this coming February half term, and due to the success in terms of uptake, we are proposing to offer a Ski trip for February 2026. We, as a school, recognise the financial struggles due to the current economic situation, but are hopeful that this proposal will be of interest to pupils. Please find below further details.

Important information:

- Please take note that whilst skiing is a fantastic sport, it requires a certain level of fitness. The sport itself is very demanding on the muscular- skeletal system and cardio-respiratory system. Pupils are expected to ski every day and they will get tired. We would ask that you take this into consideration when applying for a place on the trip.
- It is also important that pupils understand that they cannot simply choose not to ski for a session and stay in the hotel. It is extremely difficult for pupils to 'catch up' if they miss lessons.
- We also reserve the right to only take pupils whose behaviour in school is consistently excellent. There are too many risks to take any pupil who will not listen to members of staff. We will undertake a risk assessment to ensure that students who attend the trip are able to follow instructions. A rigorous process of selection will take place before places are allocated. This will be guided by ClassCharts reports and general staff views. Consultation will also take place with the respective Heads of Year.

Destination:

Our next skiing trip will be to the ski resort of Hochkrimml, Austria. Our host company advise:

The small mountain village of Hochkrimml consists of three communities (Filzsteinalm, Duxeralm and Silberleiten). In addition to hotels, there are restaurants and sports shops. Hochkrimmel is the ideal gateway to the Zillertal Arena ski area. It is also easily accessible by coach and easy to get to Krimml and Neukirchen for entertainments.

The resort accesses the Zillertal Arena ski area:

The Zillertal Valley has three large ski areas with 489 kilometres of slopes, including the Zillertal Arena, which has 150 kilometres of slopes. The Zillertal Valley has slopes

for all levels, from beginner blue runs to expert black runs. The Zillertal Arena has a large practice area for beginners and children, and a run called the "Höhenfresser-Tour" that descends 1,930 vertical meters into the valley.

Facilities in the area include:

- Shops/cafés/bars
- Bakery
- Restaurants
- Doctor
- Medical Centre

The Ski Area:

Kilometres of piste	489km
Ski height range	1200m - 3250m
Number of ski lifts	177
Ski pistes	37 blue, 44 red, 10 black
Snow making coverage	Approximately 70%
Closest glacier	Hintertux

Accommodation:

The Jugendgästehaus Gerlosplatte is located at 1700m directly on the slopes, thus offering the much sought after – 'doorstep skiing'. The Duxer- and Filzsteinlifts are within walking distance of the hotel.

The Rooms:

All bedrooms are furnished in a modern style with light wooden bunk beds, have a seating area in front of a large window and have private facilities.

Hotel General Facilities:

- Lift
- Stube
- Bar
- Dining room
- Vending machine
- Sauna
- Steam bath
- Sports hall
- Table tennis
- Darts
- Billiard
- Table football
- Air hockey table
- Disco
- Trampoline room
- WIFI in public areas
- Home cinema
- Ski storage
- Heated drying room
- Sun terrace

Meals:

- Full board
- Breakfast
- Hot lunch
- 2 course dinner with salad buffet

Three meals a day are provided, from evening meal on the day of arrival to evening meal on departure.

Ski School:

Our 6-day ski course will include 5 hours per day instruction with English-speaking instructors from the official local ski school. Lift passes and hire of equipment (including helmets) is included in our arrangement.

Travel:

We will be travelling by luxury coach with professional experienced drivers. The coach stays with us throughout the tour and is available for our use other than the day of arrival and day of departure to conform to driving regulations.

Insurance:

Fully comprehensive insurance (without any excesses):
24 hour medical assistance
Ski loss or breakage insurance
Personal money and loss of travel documents
Full cover in case of parental redundancy
Third party liability covers for party leader

What's included in the price?

- Return travel by luxury coach
- 6 nights dinner, bed and breakfast
- 6 days skis, boots, poles and helmet hire
- 6 days lift pass
- 6 days ski course including 5 hrs per day instruction
- Snow guarantee (piste closure insurance)
- Ski trip hoody
- Fully comprehensive travel insurance
- Services of a SKI4 team representative

The evening activities are extra but will be optional. We will know the costs nearer the time of departure.

Deposits and payments:

If you are interested, please fill out the form below and return to Mr Lemin with the first deposit payed through Parent-pay by the date noted below. Places tend to go very quickly!

1. Pay a 1st deposit of £150 by 10/01/2025
2. Pay a 2nd deposit of £150 by 28/02/2025
3. Pay a 3rd deposit of £130 by 31/03/2025
4. The balance of £1200 to be paid by 30/11/2025 (We would recommend that the remainder is paid in instalments throughout the year rather than leaving it until the last minute!)

Please note that the 1st, 2nd and 3rd deposits are non-refundable.

Terms and conditions:

- By signing up to the trip and paying the deposits, you are then liable for the full balance, even if your child withdraws from the trip.
- If your child withdraws from the trip and a replacement is found, you will receive a refund for payments made minus any administration costs charged by Ski TEAM4.
- Due to the nature of the trip and the conditions outlined by Ski TEAM4, we are unable to accept late payments. Payments must be made as per the payment schedule.
- Please note we reserve the right to make changes to the itinerary of this trip.
- Please contact the finance office with any questions regarding the financial arrangements of this trip.

Yours faithfully

Mark Lemin, Ski trip Party Leader

Booking form to Hochkrimml, Austria Austria 2026

I have paid the 1st deposit of £150 for the above trip and agree with the terms and conditions noted.

Name.....

Tutor Group

Signature of parent/guardian

Date.....

Please return to Mr Lemin, Ski Trip Party Leader