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September 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Ski Trip to France February 2028

The school half-term ski trip in February 2028 will be to Les Deux Alpes in the French Alps .

The trip will depart the UK (airport TBC) by air on Saturday February 12th 2028 and return on Friday February 18th - 5 days x 4 hours of skiing. We will be staying in Hotel La Brunerie, a Skibound Club Hotel in the heart of the resort and a short walk from the lifts. (If half term falls a week later the trip will move to that week and, in all likelihood, be cheaper)

The trip is open to all students who will be in years 8-13 at the time of departure – so that is the current years 7-12.

The cost of the trip is £2173. This includes:

- Flights to France
- Return coach transfer from the arrival airport to the hotel
- 6 nights full-board accommodation (drinks with meals other than breakfast not included)
- 5 day hire of skis, boots & poles
- 5 day hire of helmets
- 5 x 4 hours ski tuition
- 5 day lift pass
- Resort representative
- Winter sports insurance
- Evening activities – eg ice skating, bowling, pizza night
- Parent Pay charges (2.5%)

Additional costs

- Ski clothing - jacket, ski trousers, goggles, base layers etc – can be purchased for around £100-£150 at the parents evening before departure or from Decathlon or other outdoor stores.
- Snow Centre lessons before we go (beginners are advised to book a few hours of tuition in order to make the most of their time in the mountains)
- Students who are aged 16+ at the time of departure will be charged an additional £15 for Air Passenger Duty

The cost of the trip can be spread out over the next 17 months. The payment schedule is as follows:

- First (non-refundable) deposit of £150.00 per paying passenger is due by September 21st 2026.
- Second Deposit of £150.00 per paying passenger is due by 10th October 2026 – non-refundable
- Third Deposit of £150.00 per paying passenger is due by 13th November 2026 – non-refundable
- 65% of the tour cost (£1350) is due by Easter 2027.
- The Final balance is due by the end of November 2027

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in the 2028 Urmston Grammar ski trip please make a payment of £150 on parent pay to cover the cost of the initial deposit. Once we have handed the first deposit to SkiBound we will only be able to refund a place if we can replace your son/daughter from a waiting list. Failure to stick to this payment schedule could result in your son/daughter being removed from the trip. If we do not reach the required numbers for the trip to be viable than all deposits will be returned. The quote from SkiBound is based on a minimum number signing up for the trip. The trip is currently live on parent pay for years 7-12. I will set up a waiting list if the trip is oversubscribed so, please do e mail the finance office if you find that the trip is full by the time you come to pay the deposit.

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Snowboarding

The cost of the trip is for skiing only. If your son/daughter would like to snowboard then this will incur an additional cost. This is because we may need an additional instructor(s) to cover the smaller snowboarding groups and the equipment hire is also slightly more expensive. Snowboarding is only possible if the group(s) contains students of a similar standard. Please sign up for the trip in the expectation that your son/daughter will ski but do drop me an email expressing an interest in snowboarding and let me know the ability level of your son/daughter – beginner, intermediate, expert. If I can, I will put together a snowboarding group and let you know what the cost will be.

If you would like any further information about the trip please feel free to e mail me on:
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Yours Sincerely,

Matthew McPartland
(Ski Trip Leader)