

16/10/2023

Dear Parents,

**Year 9 Ski Trip 17-22<sup>nd</sup> February 2025– Zell Am See Austria**  
**Price: Circa £1480 TBC fully inclusive**

I am delighted to announce that we are now launching the February 2025 Junior Ski Trip for students who are **currently in Year 8** to Zell Am See, Austria. These students will be in Year 9 when they go on the trip. Set in the spectacular Austrian Alps, Zell Am See offers many kilometres of piste for all skiing abilities as well as the opportunity for bowling, a pizza night and an ice hockey match. There will also be a chance to explore the town and experience Austrian culture first-hand.

We will be travelling with Skibound. They have over 30 years of experience in organising school ski trips and are part of the group that also organises World Challenge with the School. Please take time to look at the company website: <https://www.skibound.co.uk/>.

We will be staying at the Gasthof Kirchenwirt. Please see the website for more details:  
<https://www.skibound.co.uk/destination/austria/zell-am-see/kirchenwirt/>

**The trip includes:**

- Full medical and travel insurance cover – exclusions may apply.
- 5 nights full board accommodation based on multi-bedded rooms. Drinks with meals other than breakfast are not included.
- 5 day hire of skis, boots, poles and helmets.
- 5 x 5 hours ski tuition. Please note ski instructors are allocated on a 1:12 or 1:13 ratio depending on resort.
- 5-day local lift pass.
- 3 x après ski activities (bowling, pizza evening and ice hockey match)
- Resort representative service.
- Ski Breakage and Piste Closure Insurance.

This trip is run on **43 pupil places** and is typically an extremely popular trip. This year all parents who wish to request a place for their son are required to **pay a £200 deposit via ParentPay**. This deposit ensures that he will be in the draw for a place if the trip is oversubscribed but it does not guarantee a place on the trip and will be refunded if he is unsuccessful.

The Parent Pay portal will 'go live' on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October for receipt of the first trip deposit of £200 **payable by Friday 10th November**. There will be no priority given to the order in which deposits are paid during that period; however, anyone wishing to book a place after this period will be placed on the reserve list. For those students who gain a place there will then be five further payments:

- Second payment - £150.00 - due by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024
- Third payment - £200.00 - due by **Thursday** 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024
- Fourth payment - £300 – due by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- Fifth payment - £300 – due by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024
- Final payment – approx. £330 TBC – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024

If you would prefer to have a different payment plan, please get in touch with me.

We would not want any pupil to not be able to take advantage of this opportunity due to financial hardship. If you would like to discuss this in confidence, please contact me on [nxc@rgshw.com](mailto:nxc@rgshw.com).

There will be a presentation evening for parents and boys at School (date to be confirmed) to give out important information about the trip and the full finalised itinerary and to answer any questions you may have, but please contact me if you have any more urgent queries.

Yours sincerely,

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