



7th February 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Ski Trip information evening - Thursday 29th February, 6pm

It is very exciting to say that it is only two months until our 2024 Ski Trip. This letter contains important information about students' passports, medical health cards and packing checklists. We would also like to invite you to our Ski Trip information evening on Thursday 29th February at 6pm, where we will be discussing final arrangements before the trip. Please confirm your attendance by completing [this short online form](#).

As previously shared, we will now be travelling to Hockfugan-Kaltenbach-Hochzillertal, Austria on Friday 5th April 2024 and we are scheduled to return to Magna Academy during the afternoon of Friday 12th April.

Food

At our resort, all food is included in the price of the trip and students will be offered a buffet breakfast including: toast, croissants, cereals, cheese/hams, milk, hot chocolate etc. Students are provided with a two course hot lunch and soft drinks and a two course evening meal. Students will have the opportunity to buy snacks throughout the trip from local supermarkets and therefore we advise that students have some pocket money with them.

We will be departing the Academy on the afternoon of Friday 5th April and students will need to bring enough food, snacks and/or pocket money to purchase an evening meal on Friday and also snacks throughout our journey on Saturday. Students will then have their first included meal on Saturday evening at the resort.

Evening entertainment

During our trip, students will be provided with different evening entertainment options, these include:

- Bowling
- Curling
- Ice Skating
- Quiz night
- Awards night

Passports

Students' passports need to be brought into the Academy on our information evening on Friday 29th February. All passports will then be kept in the school safe ahead of the trip. All passports need to be received, in a clearly labelled envelope (full name of student) and handed in on the information evening. Please check the expiry date on your child's passport and ensure that it is valid until at least November 2024, to allow 6 months of validity from our return date. During the trip and travel, all passports will be kept in a secure location and will be the responsibility of the staff to keep them safe. All passports will also be photocopied, so that copies are also kept in the student's files alongside all medical information.

Medical Health Card

All students who are travelling on the Ski Trip are covered by SkiTeam4's insurance policies. As well as this, please apply for an **NHS European/Global Health Insurance Card (E/GHIC)**. To do so, go onto the NHS website and [follow the link to apply for an E/GHIC card](#). Please hand these in along with your child's passport on Friday 29th February.

Ski Kit Hire

We are working closely with Interski, who are a well known company that provides ski kit hire to schools travelling on school ski trips. On Thursday 29th February, we will be providing further information about hiring ski kit and we will also have sample sizes of kit for students to try on. During the evening, we will run through the order process, which is a simple process for parents to complete online. All orders are then delivered to us at the Academy two weeks before our departure date and we will hand out the kit to students. This then provides time for any returns or changes to be made to sizes if needed.

On our return, students then return all hired ski kit to us and we will deliver all of the hired kit back to Interski. Please see below the link to the Interski kit brochure for further information and prices: <https://www.flipsnack.com/interski/interski-rentals-brochure-2023-24-uk-schools/full-view.html>

Kit and Packing Checklist

Suitcase/holdall sizes: 70cm x 35cm x 35cm (1 per person)

Essential Skiing

- Ski Jacket (waterproof) – still available to hire
- Salopettes (waterproof trousers) - still available to hire
- 3x base layer bottoms (sport/cotton leggings or skins)
- 3x base layer tops (long sleeve top or skins)

- Minimum 3x skiing tube socks (recommend 5, 1 per day)
- 2x fleece/thin layer jumper
- 1x ski goggles
- 1x ski balaclava/buff (not a scarf)
- Small bottle of ski sun cream SPF 20 or above
- Lip balm
- 1x pair of ski gloves or mittens

- Underwear (day x 7)
- Sports bra (girls)

Essential Evening

- Trousers
- T-shirts
- Long sleeve tops
- Jumpers
- Underwear (evening x 7)
- Warm pyjamas
- Socks
- Boots (water/snow proof ideally)
- Toiletries (shampoo, toothpaste, soap, deodorant roll on)
- Bin bag for dirty clothes

Extras to consider

- Hat for evenings
- Cotton/fleece gloves for evenings
- Trainers
- Travel plug
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Backpacks for the coach (1 per person)

- Water bottle
- Snacks for the journey
- Bring ski jacket for the coach
- Magna ski trip hoodie
- 1 pair of ski socks to try on boots on arrival
- Phone charger/power pack
- Medication (travel sickness)

Ski Trip Hoodies

All students going on the Magna Academy Ski Trip will be distributed with a blue SkiTeam 4 hoodie prior to departure. Sizes have been pre-ordered using the Google form and cannot be changed. The hoodie is a great layer for the students to travel in on the trip and also a brilliant layer to wear when on the slopes underneath their Ski jacket.

Mobile Phones and Electronics

Please note that mobile phones and other electronic devices are allowed on the ski trip, although they are the responsibility of the student to take care of during the trip. We would recommend that students do not take their phones on the mountain.

Pocket Money

During the ski trip, students will have breakfast, lunch and dinner provided for them at the hotel each day. Students may want to bring pocket money though for the following things:

- Snacks (bag of crisps/bar of chocolate) for the slopes

- Hot chocolate/drinks on the slopes
- Souvenirs
- Food on the ferry or at service stations on our journey

We strongly recommend that students do not bring more than 50 euros (approx. £40) with them. Student's pocket money will be their own responsibility.

If you have any further questions, please either ask at our Ski trip information evening on Thursday 29th February 6-7pm or contact Mr Law. blaw@magna-aspirations.org

Yours sincerely,

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Ski Trip Organiser