



Dear Parent/Guardian

23 September 2025

Ski Trip: La Thuile Italy

Saturday 27th March 2027 - Saturday 3rd April 2027 (Easter Holidays)

We are now in a position to launch the 2027 school ski trip to La Thuile, Italy. I am offering you the opportunity to express an interest in this trip. The trip will take place between **Saturday 27th March 2027 to Saturday 3rd April 2027**; this falls within the Easter holidays. At present, this trip is only open to students in year 10 and year 12. The cost of the trip will be £1400 and includes:

- Return coach travel
- 5 nights full board accommodation based in multi bedded rooms
- 5 day local lift pass including hire of skis, boots and poles
- 5 x 5 hours of ski tuition
- A full après ski package of evening entertainment

Helmets are included in the package but there will be an additional cost for ski jacket and salopettes, should you require them. This has previously been in the region of £50.

There is an expectation that all students who are allocated a place on the trip, will be involved in some fund raising activities. This will allow a reduction in cost for a limited number of students, who otherwise, would not be able to partake in the trip.

The trip will be led by myself with other Longbenton staff. If you would like to apply for a place for your child, please complete the Expression of Interest form <https://forms.gle/4Gdu9ji1MDoJmTcBA> by Monday 29th September 2025. Places will be offered later that week. The initial deposit of £150 (which is non refundable) is to be Wednesday 22nd October 2025. The next payment (interim deposit) of £150 will be due by Monday 1st December 2025.

The following payment plan will then be applicable:

- 1st February 2026 £110
- 1st March 2026 £110
- 1st April 2026 £110
- 1st May 2026 £110
- 1st June 2026 £110
- 1st July 2026 £110
- 1st August 2026 £110
- 1st September 2026 £110
- 1st October 2026 £110
- 1st November 2026 £110

Should you wish to withdraw from the trip any additional payments, minus the deposit and interim deposit will be refunded prior to the final invoice being paid. We will offer any available spaces and, should these be filled, then the initial deposits will be returned. Payment can be made via your MCAS account. Once your child has been allocated a place the trip will be visible on your MCAS account. Failure to stick to the payment plan will run the risk of your child being removed from the trip.

Please note that this trip is physically demanding and requires a good level of general fitness, resilience and determination and it is the expectation that students will ski every day. Skiing is not an easy sport! I would encourage you to consider this before submitting the expression of interest. Also, consider the possibility of going on a trip without a close friend as this cannot be guaranteed. School trips are an excellent way of getting to know new people in your year group and from other year groups; there are plenty of organised activities to keep students busy and social. Acceptance on this trip is conditional on behaviour in school being of a good standard. School has the right to withdraw the place if student behaviour falls below these expectations before departure on the trip. We will also consider students who have previously applied for a place on the trip and been unsuccessful. School has the right to withdraw the place if student behaviour falls below

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Cooper
Ski Trip Leader