



WEST HILL SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Ski Holiday – Jay Peak, Vermont, USA Easter 2023

After our successful 2019 bi-annual ski holiday to Canada and then the subsequent cancellations due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we are re-launching our ski holiday and are intending to go back across the Atlantic to a resort we have been to twice before, Jay Peak in Vermont in the USA.

The total cost of the week-long holiday will be **£1,875** per pupil. This will include:

*Return transatlantic flight from Manchester by scheduled airline
Coach transfer from the airport to and from Jay Peak
Half-board accommodation at the Hotel Jay in Jay Peak
5 day ski pass
5 day hire of quality skis/snowboards, boots and poles
5 x 5 hour lessons
Evening entertainment (Water Park, cinema, bowling, quiz nights etc.)
Excursion day in Boston (shopping opportunities and sight-seeing)
Insurance*

More information on the resort can be found at www.jaypeakresort.com or speak to any of the staff or pupils who went last time.

We are able to arrange excellent rates for hire of ski/boarding trousers and jackets from a local supplier and advice regarding necessary kit and equipment will be given at a later date.

Ski lessons at 'Chill Factor^e' will also be offered nearer the time. A 6-hour course is available (taken over 3 – 6 weeks) at an approximate cost of £15 per person per visit; this includes transport, hire of equipment and instruction by a qualified instructor.

Payment Schedule

Initial payment (deposit) by Friday 18 th February 2022	£150
Second payment by Friday 25 th March 2022	£250
Third payment by Friday 29 th April 2022	£250
Fourth payment by Friday 27 th May 2022	£250
Fifth payment by Friday 24 th June 2022	£250
Sixth payment by Friday 15 th July 2022	£250
Seventh payment by Friday 30 th September 2022	£250
Eighth payment by Friday 28 th October 2022	£225

Total: £1875



Please note: once a deposit has been paid to the ski company, it is non-refundable. Also, there is an additional surcharge of £80 (American airline tax) for any pupil who is 16 years of age at the time of departure.

If your son is interested in participating in the ski holiday, please complete and return the slip below with the initial deposit payment. Please note that the invite is open to all pupils in Years 7 - 10.

Yours faithfully,

Mr R J Cookson (Ski trip Organiser)

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This slip should be completed and returned to Mr Cookson with a £150 deposit by Friday 18th February 2022

Name : _____ Form : _____

I would like my son to go on the ski holiday to the Jay Peak resort in 2023.

I enclose a deposit of £150.

Signature of Parent : _____ Date : _____

Behaviour expectations: The behaviour expectations for all pupils going on the ski trip are the same as those that your son adheres to during a normal day at West Hill School. When signing this form and wanting your son to go on this trip, you are consenting to yourself and your son agreeing to the following:

The school reserves the right to withdraw any member of the trip at any time up to the point of departure, if prevailing circumstances demand that this would be the most sensible and safest course of action.

Where pupils have received serious sanctions for behaviour during the next 14 months, parents and pupils will be asked to sign a more detailed behaviour contract and/or attend a behaviour meeting. The Senior Leadership Team are fully supportive of these safeguarding arrangements.

Additional to the behaviour expectations, with specific regard to Year 11 pupils (current Year 10 pupils): When this trip is going, the GCSE examinations won't be too far away, and is therefore within the crucial revision period. With this in mind, school will be monitoring closely your son's academic progress throughout Year 11 and he must ensure he is maintaining the standards expected.