



20th March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Ski Trip February 2025

Following our hugely successful ski trip in February 2023, and 2024, we are hoping to run another ski-trip in February 2025 to Santa Caterina, Italy. The cost for the trip will be £1,378. The price will include:

- Return coach travel to and from school
- Return ferry crossing from Dover – Calais route
- Full medical and travel insurance cover – exclusions may apply
- 6 nights full board accommodation based on multi-bedded rooms.
- 6 day hire of skis, boots, poles and helmets
- 6 x 4 hours ski tuition
- 6-day local lift pass
- Ski breakage and Piste Closure Insurance
- '2-tone' hoodies
- 2 nights ice skating
- One quiz night at the accommodation

In order to secure a place, a non-refundable deposit of £300 needs to be made by **Friday April 19th 2024**; places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. The amount of each subsequent payment will be £215.60 each month (5 payments). All payments must be made by 31st October 2024 for your child to take part. There are 40 places available for students, four of which are subsidised (see below) and five members of staff will be accompanying the trip.

Please note that attendance on the trip is dependent upon a child's good behaviour in school. This is a trip abroad and if the school perceives that a child's behaviour will have an adverse effect on the smooth running of the trip, the child's place will be withdrawn. Any money paid over the initial deposit will be refunded, but we cannot guarantee being able to refund the deposit in such circumstances.

We have secured funding to provide financial support for four children for the forthcoming ski trip next February. This support is only available to children who are eligible for free school meals and will be for 75% of the total cost of the trip, meaning that we would be asking you to make a financial contribution of £344.50. If you are interested in applying for one of the four subsidised places, please do so in writing to Mrs Weston-Peters, the Headteacher's PA, at swestonpeters@mariafidelis.camden.sch.uk by **9am on Friday 19th April 2024** stating your eligibility for the funding and why you believe your child would benefit from the trip.

If there are any questions about the ski trip, please do not hesitate to contact us on the office email address: office@mariafidelis.camden.sch.uk. A meeting will be held in the summer term to give a more detailed account of where we shall be going and what will be included in the package. During this meeting you will be able to ask questions and meet the staff who will be taking your child on the ski trip.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erika Palankai". The signature is written in a cursive style with a distinct loop at the end of the name.

Ms E. Palánkai
Ski Trip Leader