



March 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian

Ski Trip 2026 – £1,315

I have organised a ski trip for the first week of the Easter holidays 2026 which will be open to students who are **currently** in Years 7, 8 and 9 at Maiden Erlegh School, Maiden Erlegh School in Reading, Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge and River Academy.

To be eligible for this trip, you must pay the deposit **and** complete an online application form. Unless we have both, your child will not be included in the selection process.

The trip will be organised through [Select School Travel](#) and an information evening will be held on 12 November at Maiden Erlegh School.

General Details

Dates	Saturday 28 March 2026 – Sunday 5 April 2026
Travel	The journey will take in the region of 24 hours and is by coach and ferry.
Accommodation	Olympic Centre, Sansicario, Italy . Rooms will be single-sex, ensuite and multi-bedded.
Skiing	We will ski from the French resort of Montgenèvre, with access to a vast skiing area known as <i>The Milky Way</i> . There will be six days of skiing with five hours of ski instruction per day. Students will ski only under the supervision of an instructor and in groups according to their ability: beginner, intermediate or advanced. There is no free skiing.
Ski fitness	A compulsory requirement for all members of the trip. These sessions will run after school in February and March.
Evening	A range of activities likely to include quizzes, games, a disco and a pizza night.

Students will need their own passport for this trip. Anyone travelling a non-UK passport will need evidence of Right to Stay in the UK or hold a visa. All passports must be valid until at least 05 July 2026.

All students will need a valid EHIC (or GHIC). They can be ordered free of charge [HERE](#).

During this trip, the accompanying staff will always be available, but there will be periods of remote supervision when students will be expected to be in groups of at least three. Remote supervision is when the group is monitored by staff from a distance, but they are not directly with the group.

Student Information

The ski trip is not a holiday. It is hard work and is very tiring - students must be both physically and emotionally resilient. Whilst students do not need to be sporty, they do need to be willing and able to undertake strenuous exercise. If your son/daughter does not enjoy exercise this will not be the trip for them.

Breakdown of Cost

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Return coach transfer from school to resort.• Return channel crossing via ferry.• 6 nights full board accommodation including packed lunches for skiing.• A 6-day lift pass• Ski lessons: 30 hours of ski tuition (5 hours per day)• Ski equipment hire for 6 days (skis, boots, poles, and helmets)• Fully comprehensive travel insurance	£1,204
Ski hoody	£25
Incidental expenses, e.g., evening activities, drinks, and chocolates at the end of each day, administration costs, ski awards, photographs.	£86

Total £1,315

Additional Costs

You will need to provide a ski jacket and ski trousers. These can be hired from our partners [Snow Union](#). Additionally, you will need to provide ski base layers, gloves, and goggles.

We will facilitate ski lessons at Aldershot dry ski slope. These will cost approximately £150 and give beginners a useful head start. These lessons are highly recommended, but they are not compulsory.

Payment scheme

An initial **non-refundable** deposit of £315 must be paid via ParentPay in order for your son/daughter to be considered. This will be returned if they are not selected.

The remaining £1000 should be paid in four instalments of £250 on or before 01 July, 01 September, 01 November, 01 December 2025. Payments by ParentPay only.

To apply for a place on the trip you must **first pay the deposit** and then complete [THIS FORM](#).

Allocation of places

Skiing trips are always popular. There are 220 places available, but we cannot guarantee a place for everyone who applies. **The deadline for applications is Wednesday 22nd April.** All names will first be approved by the Headteacher and in the event of oversubscription, names will be drawn at random. We aim to notify successful applicants within two weeks of the deadline.

Please note that representing the school on a trip, fixture or at an event is a privilege and we reserve the right to withdraw that privilege for students whose attendance falls below 90%, or whose behaviour does not meet school expectations.

If you have any enquiries about the proposed trip, please contact me directly by email metski@maidenerleghtrust.org.

Yours sincerely



Mrs A Walker
Ski Trip Organiser