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Dear Families,

Ski Trip **Wilder Kaiser-Brixental, Austria – February Half Term 2026 (Current Years 7 – 12)**

Following an extremely successful ski trip to Canada, we have completed extensive research in order to plan the best trip possible for our students. I am pleased to announce for the first time, the ski trip for February half term 2026 will be taking place at the vast resort in the Austrian Tyrol, Wilder Kaiser-Brixental.

The Wilder Kaiser is an enormous resort featuring over 80 cable cars, modern lifts, and over 270 kilometres of slopes at over 1,800 metres above sea level. The Wilder Kaiser-Brixental has also been awarded the title of best ski resort in the world several times and has been named one of the most family and child-friendly ski resorts. You can find further information [here](#).

We will take sole occupancy in the Tyrolean hotel, Gasthof Hauserwirt. This hotel immerses guests into a traditional Austrian experience. Further information can be found [here](#).

If the trip is oversubscribed, we reserve the right to prioritise the older year groups in the school. In addition, trip participation is dependent on a satisfactory behaviour and attendance record in school.

The price for the trip includes:

- All transfers to and from airports
- International flights
- 7 nights full board accommodation including packed lunches.
- 6 days lift pass
- 6 days hire of ski equipment
- 6 days of ski tuition (5 hours a day)
- A range of evening activities including swimming, night skiing
- Full snow sports insurance
- A personalised sweatshirt

Not included – ski clothing (can be bought at a meeting held in the autumn term 2025).

The price for the trip is £1740 (plus an additional charge of £50 for students over the age of 18, plus Air Passenger Duty for those students who are above the age of 16 at the time of travel). Please rest assured that we have shopped around to obtain the best experience and the best price for the students of the school.

The payment schedule is as follows:

- £150 – non-refundable deposit by 30th March 2025
- £200 – 30th April 2025
- £470 – 12th July 2025
- £470 – 30th September 2025
- £450 – 28th November 2025

If your child is currently in Years 7 to 12 and is interested in participating in this trip, please make your payment of a **non-refundable deposit of £150** via ParentPay by **30th March 2025**.

You will be notified soon after if they have secured a place on this trip and further arrangements for outstanding instalments will be communicated. If your child is not successful in gaining a place, your deposit will be refunded. Should you have any queries, please email trips@sandringham.aetrust.uk

In making your decision for your child to attend, we would also like to share there will be a Sports Tour to Holland in the Easter 2026 holidays. The tour will be open to current Year 7 and 8 students and will include basketball and football. We estimate the cost to be approx. £750

It is imperative payment deadlines for this trip are strictly adhered to so that we can make the necessary payments to the tour operator and ensure that adequate numbers are secured. If payments are not received by the instalment dates, we would have no choice but to remove your child from the trip.

Please note, by accepting your child's place on this trip, you are agreeing to make full payment by the given deadlines. Please also note, the SkiTeam4 do not differ from other tour companies with regard to cancellations and cancellation fees will apply.

Participation in this trip is subject to good conduct in school prior to the trip taking place. If any student's behaviour, attendance, or attitude is in question and are therefore removed from the trip due to their conduct, any monies paid to date will not be refunded.

The school will follow all advice given by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Department for Education and our tour operators when it comes to overseas travel for school trips. The tour operators we use provide both ABTA and ATOL protection as part of our tour packages. In the event that the FCO advises "against all travel" to an area or region, then these policies provide protection to prevent any loss in case of necessary cancellation. The school holds travel insurance through the Department for Education Risk Protection Arrangement (RPA) which provides cover in case of travel disruption, medical issues and other emergencies. This insurance does not cover any personal items including money, phones, gadgets and clothing in case of loss, damage or theft. Should you decide to remove your child from any trip where travel is still advised then this will not be covered by insurance, ABTA or ATOL.

Yours sincerely,

Stuart Kemp
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