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Dear Families,

Ski Trip February 2026

I am excited to share with you the details of our upcoming school ski trip from Thursday 12 February to Friday 20 February 2026 to Flachau in Austria.

The school has run a very successful ski trip for several years, and we are very pleased that this is able to continue again next year after a break. The trip runs over the February half term, which is probably the best time to ski in Europe. We are very aware that finances can be a challenge for a number of families, so information is being shared well in advance to allow the cost to be spread out. I am contacting you eleven months in advance of the trip to enable you to spread the cost over several payments and perhaps, should you wish, incorporate it as Christmas and or Birthday present. I would highly recommend this trip as an extremely worthwhile, enjoyable and rewarding experience.

There are 36 places on the trip, and it will be open to all current Year 7 - 10 students, if the trip is oversubscribed then places will be allocated at random.

The trip is open to all students regardless of prior experience, a compulsory course of lessons will be arranged at Suffolk Ski & Leisure Park in Ipswich prior to the trip, the cost of these are included in the price. This includes two-hour sessions, for three consecutive weeks. There will be an option to snowboard but confirmation of this will be dependent on the uptake of this.

Parents/carers and the student will be asked to sign a behaviour contract when signing up for this trip. The trip is run as an 'extra-curricular' event and therefore there is no obligation for students to attend. As such, the school may withdraw a space from any student whose behaviour is unacceptable or inappropriate in the lead up to this trip. Should the school decide that a student's place on the trip is to be withdrawn, the cost of the trip will not be reimbursed.

Dates: Thursday 12th February to Friday 20th February 2026.

Cost: £1335

Payments: You will receive an email if your child has successfully gained a place on the trip. To secure a place, a deposit of £135 will be required to be paid on ParentPay by **30 April 2025**. A further letter will be sent out indicating the order of payments and other details. Future payments will be set up on ParentPay. (Please note: All payments are non-refundable unless you find an immediate suitable replacement).











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What the price includes:

- A 3-week course of 2-hour lessons at Suffolk Ski & Leisure Park in Ipswich
- Accommodation in a friendly, family run youth hostel all rooms have private facilities
- 6 nights half board and an extra meal before departure (Midday meals are not included, but a wide selection of hot meals are available in the mountain restaurants)
- Return transport by executive coach from school
- 6-day lift pass, skis, snowboards, poles, boots and helmet hire
- Six x 6-hour lessons/guiding sessions with Austrian ski school instructors
- A full après-ski programme and evening entertainment, this will be confirmed nearer the time but may include tobogganing, curling, karaoke and a quiz
- Ski breakage insurance

What the price does not include:

- Ski clothing (this is required)
- Snowboard supplement (dependant on numbers) £35
- Food during travel
- Personal expenditure
- Daily lunch money

If you require financial assistance and or login details for ParentPay, please contact the Educational Visits Coordinator at l.may@stowhigh.com.

If you are happy for your son/daughter to attend this trip, then please fill out the reply slip below to express your interest. Please ensure students return the reply slip to Student Services or the slip box outside the Attendance/Medical Office by 31 March 2025.

If you have any questions about the trip, please contact Mrs Harvey at f.harvey@stowhigh.com

Kind regards,	
Mrs F Harvey	
Trip Co-Ordinator	
My child would like to attend the Ski Trip to Flachau in Austria, February 2026	
Please return the reply slip to Student Services or the slip box outside the Attendance/Medical Office by 31 March 2025 .	
Name of Student:	Form:
Parent Name:	Parent Signature:







