

SRC/srh  
14 March 2018

Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s)

**Trip No: 4110 - Optional Residential Overseas Trip Out of School Time (Letter 1)  
Year 12-13 Austria Ski Trip Friday 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019 - Half Term**

We are writing regarding an exciting ski trip which we are organising exclusively for Sixth Form students. The trip is open to all members of the current Years 11 and 12, who will be in Year 12 and 13 respectively by the time the trip takes place. The trip has been booked for the February Half Term 2019, leaving school on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> and returning on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019. I have a provisional booking for 32 students and all those interested should apply as early as possible as places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

**Eligibility**

As you will appreciate, this trip is for the next academic year, and as such I must stress that only students who are on the school role at the time of the trip will be eligible to travel. Students who sign up for this trip now, but do not continue with their studies at John Warner next year will not be allowed to come on the trip, and the school cannot guarantee that any money paid will be able to be refunded. We expect continued excellence of behaviour and effort up to and including this trip. However, if students fail to abide by the school rules we reserve the right to take away the privilege of going on this trip. Obviously the school has an excellent reputation on school trips and wish to uphold this tradition.

**The Resort**

The resort that we have booked is Dachstein West in Austria, which sits in the heart of the Austrian Alps and is a UNESCO Heritage Centre. Accessed via the three surrounding villages of Gosau, Rossbach and Annaberg, Dachstein West is a traditional Austrian resort offering picturesque tree lined pistes which are ideal for beginners and intermediates. Experienced skiers will also be offered a challenge with over 20km of black runs and 3 freestyle snow parks. The resort offers over 140km of piste, making it one of the largest combined ski areas in Austria. Dachstein West has an excellent snow history, resulting in excellent skiing conditions and thus it is widely regarded as one of Austria's top ski destinations. We will be staying in the nearby town of Bad Ischl which offers a wide range of après ski and evening entertainment options. The Jugendhotel is a newly refurbished three Star accommodation situated near to local amenities and a short drive from the ski slopes.

### **The Cost**

This virtually all-inclusive package will cost £905.00. Skiing holidays are expensive as we have to travel in high season, over the school's half term holiday. This price represents a very competitive offer for an Austrian ski resort in an extensive ski area. The cost will include:

- 1) Executive coach travel from school to resort
- 2) Channel crossing via ferry
- 3) Full board accommodation
- 4) Six days hire of skis, boots, poles and ski helmet
- 5) 6 x 5 hours ski tuition
- 6) Six full days lift pass
- 7) Resort representative service
- 8) Full Medical and Travel Insurance Cover

### **Not included**

Personal spending money

Après Ski activities, these will be arranged in resort

Meals during the journey

Dry Slope Ski Lesson (recommended for any beginner skiers)

Ski Clothing

### **Payment**

The cost of this trip will be payable in four instalments. The first payment of £250.00 will be a non-refundable deposit and due with the return of the consent form, and the remaining three payments are due on the following dates:

<b>Instalments</b>	<b>Amount Payable</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
Non-Refundable Deposit	£250.00	With Consent Form by Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
Second Payment	£200.00	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2018
Third Payment	£200.00	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2018
Final Payment	£255.00	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2018

As this trip is overseas, all students will need their own up-to-date passport<sup>1</sup> and EHIC Card ([www.ehic.org.uk](http://www.ehic.org.uk)).

If you would like your son/daughter to go on this optional trip, [please follow this link to complete the consent and payment form](#) (*website: Home/Parents/Forms*) or return the slip attached to this letter indicating your preferred method of payment by **Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018**. Please note that all trips will be allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis, places will not be confirmed until your payment is received; we therefore recommend that you respond as soon as possible. All cancellations must be provided in writing to the Finance Office. Once a place is confirmed, you will be liable for all costs incurred by the school up to the point of cancellation.

Please be aware that the school reserve the right to refuse a place on this trip for any student whose attendance falls below the acceptable level and/or their behaviour has been a cause for concern. In line with our School Trips Policy, if there is a need to contact your son/daughter while they are out of school, please phone Mrs Georgette Knights on 07741559124 or Mr Oliver Price on 07741559129.

Yours faithfully

**Mr S Cove**  
Associate Headteacher,  
Director of Post 16 Education

**Mrs G Knights**  
Assistant Head: Director of Finance &  
Resources

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<sup>1</sup> Some countries have an immigration requirement for a passport to remain valid for a minimum period (usually at least six months) beyond the date of entry to the country. Therefore please ensure your passport is in good condition and valid for at least 6 months at the date of your return. This is a requirement of the country concerned, not the UK Passport Service. Any questions should be addressed to their Consulate or Embassy.

# Reply Slip

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If you wish to complete this reply slip electronically, then please complete the [consent and payment form](#) available to download from the school's website.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Form: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child suffer from any medical conditions?  Yes  No

Will this medical condition affect them taking part in the activities?  Yes  No

If yes, please give details including treatment that they currently receive for this/these medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Enter any known allergies to drugs, medicines or food and/or special dietary requirements:

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\_\_\_\_\_

Has your child been immunised against tetanus?  Yes  No

Please provide us with two emergency contact numbers:

Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For overseas visits only, please confirm that you have included:**

Copy of Passport included  Yes  No

Copy EHIC included  Yes  No

## Declaration

I agree to my child taking part in the above mentioned visit and to their participation in the activities to be undertaken during the day. I support the need for obedience and responsible behaviour on their part.

To the best of my knowledge, my child is not suffering from any medical condition that makes them unfit to participate in this visit. I agree to my child receiving medical treatment as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.

**Payment Method – £250.00 Non-Refundable Deposit**

- Wise Pay (via Internet)** Preferred payment method. If Wise Pay is showing that the trip is full, please contact the Finance Department in the first instance.
- Debit or Credit Card.** If you wish to pay by Debit or Credit card directly rather than through Wise Pay, then please call the school 01992 462889 and ask to be transferred to the Finance Department.
- Cheque.** If paying by cheque, please ask your child to hand payments directly to the finance office. Cheques should be made payable to The John Warner School.
- Cash.** If paying by cash, we request that a parent/carer deposits the money personally at the school office during working hours and obtains a receipt. Cash will no longer be accepted from Students

All outstanding payments must be with the school a minimum of four weeks prior to the start date of the trip unless an earlier payment date is stated on the original letter.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent / Carer