Ski Trip 2018







Invergordon Academy is planning a winter ski trip to the Amade region, Austria in January 2018.

We have run many successful trips to this resort almost annually since 2009 and are delighted to be able to offer this exciting opportunity again. The trip has been a fantastic experience for all who have participated in the past, many returning for trip after trip!

Winner of "best groomed pistes" and voted the best ski resort in Austria 2015, the Sportwelt Amade Ski area has developed into one of Austria's premier ski regions. Offering over 350km of beautifully groomed piste, the area offers an amazing choice of skiing in stunning scenery.

This leaflet will give the general details of the trip that may be on offer if sufficient pupils are interested.

AUSTRIA SNOWSPORT TRIP 2018

Location

Sportwelt Amadé Resort in Austria Based between the resorts Alpendorf and Flachau

Dates

Duration: 8 days with 5 days skiing

Ski: £800

Snowboard: £850

1st Deposit: £150

Dates: Wednesday 3rd to Wednesday 10th January 2018

Transport

Pupils will be travelling by coach, departing Invergordon, crossing Channel by Ferry. The coach is fitted with seat belts, DVD and Toilet.

Meals

Snack lunch will be provided upon arrival in the Resort. 5 nights' dinner and breakfast will also be provided in the resort as well as supervised hot snack lunches (drinks not included) on the mountain. An evening meal will also be provided on the last day before departure.

Accommodation

Hotel to be confirmed. Pupils will share multi-bedded rooms.

Skiing/Boarding

5 days snow-sports with 5 hours a day instruction is included in the package, as well as a lift pass for the resort and hire of equipment, including helmet.

Package will also include:

- Ski/Snowboard Race
- Ski/Snowboard Test
- Certificate
- Ski/Snowboard Badge
- Presentation Evening

Activities

Evening entertainment (to be confirmed) may include subject to availability:

- Bowling
- Pool/Snooker
- Quiz night
- Film night
- Disco
- Pizza Night
- Ice Skating
- Swimming
- Shopping night, e.g. Salzburg

Passport

Pupils under the age of 18 will travel using a group passport, so if you do not already have a passport there is no need to go and get one.

Pupils who are 18 or over will have to travel on their own passport.

Travel Insurance

The package also includes comprehensive insurance through the Highland Council.

Equipment/Clothing

Skis, ski poles, ski boots, snowboards, snowboard boots and helmet are provided at the resort. Due to space restrictions on the bus it may not be possible to take your own skis/snowboards – this will be assessed when group is confirmed.

Please note that the Snowboarding cost is greater due to dearer equipment hire and higher instructor costs (snowboard instruction groups are smaller and thus require more instructors).

Ski/Snowboard clothing is not included in the package.

Pupils must provide ski jacket, ski trousers (salopettes), hat gloves, ski goggles and warm under layers. Please contact Mr Aitchison if you have any questions regarding ski clothing.

Extra Costs

- Spending money (Sterling and Euros)
- Meals on route
- Snacks
- Drinks during day on mountain
- Some evening activities not pre-booked before departure may involve a small charge, e.g. €5-10

Finance

Please note that the deposits are non-refundable once your place has been confirmed. Cancellations made during and up to end of payment schedule will not be fully refunded. If the trip is oversubscribed deposits will be returned to any pupils unable to go.

Parents' Information Evening

An information evening will be held later in 2017.

For additional information please contact:

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(Please retain this sheet for your information)

AUSTRIA 2018 APPLICATION FORM Please fill in the following form and return with your deposit to the school office. BY TUESDAY 31st JANUARY 2017 Would like to SKI SNOWBOARD (delete as applicable) The deposit is non-refundable once your place has been booked and confirmed. Late cancellations further into the payment schedule may also incur a further fee. Signature of Parent/Carer:

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

For your guidance, please find below a suggested payment plan designed to meet the payment schedule as set by the travel company. Over-payments can be paid to the school at any time. Full payment of £800 (ski) or £850 (snowboard) must be received by the end of September 2017.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries about the payment dates.

Amount	Due by:	Payment Made (tick)
£150 Deposit	Tuesday 31 st January	
£100	Tuesday 28 th February	
£100	Friday 31 st March	
£100	Friday 28 th April	
£100	Wednesday 31 st May	
£100	Friday 30 th June	
£100	Thursday 31 st August	
Ski: £50, Board:£100	Friday 25 th September	

Christmas 2016 Special Offer

Thank You.

Pay £250 by Thursday 22nd December 2016 and get £50 discount on total price!

Amount	Date	School Stamp	Received By	Balance Remaining