

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: SKI TRIP: PAL/ ARINSAL, ANDORRA - 2026.

We are very pleased to inform you that we are running a ski trip to **Pal / Arinsal, Andorra**, for current Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9 students (who will be Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10 when the trip takes place) from **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February and returning on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2026**.

The school ski trip is an exciting opportunity for students to experience a new sport and new culture, form friendships and create fantastic memories, which we hope they will look back on fondly for many years to come.

Trip details

<b>Destination</b>	Pal / Arinsal, Andorra
<b>Dates</b>	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> February and returning on Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2026
<b>Travel</b>	Air
<b>Additional inclusions</b>	6-night full board accommodation including hot lunches A 5-day lift pass and 5-day hire of skis, boots, poles and helmets 20 hours of ski tuition – 4 hours per day Fully comprehensive winter sports travel insurance Dedicated resort representative 4-hour emergency contact number and medical assistance service
<b>Suggested spending money</b>	£30
<b>Total Cost</b>	£1600

### ***Andorra Ski Resort***

Pal/Arinsal is part of the larger Vallnord ski area, offering a diverse range of slopes for skiers and of all levels.

Terrain:

Total Pistes: Approximately 63 km of ski runs.

Difficulty Levels:

- Beginner: Wide, gentle slopes are ideal for novice skiers.
- Intermediate: A variety of blue and red runs to challenge progressing skiers.
- Advanced: Steeper runs and off-piste options for experienced skiers.

**Hotel Details**

We will be staying in either Hotel Marco Polo or Sant Gothard.

**Tour Operator**

We have chosen to book our ski trip through Select School Travel, a specialist school tour operator with over 10 years’ experience. Select School Travel are fully bonded by ABTA and all of their tours are ATOL protected. They are also members of the School Travel Forum and have been awarded the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge.

For more information on Select School Travel, please visit [selectschooltravel.com](http://selectschooltravel.com)

**What to do next**

Please be aware that there are only **50 places available** on this ski trip. If you would like your son/daughter to participate, please complete the expression of interest reply slip below and return to Mrs Ashford (in the PE office) no later than **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024**.

Should more than 50 students express an interest, names will be drawn at random, and you will receive a Class Charts notification on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November** confirming your child’s place. If your child secures a place on the ski trip, an **initial deposit of £200** will be required before or on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**, with a further payment of **£350 due on or before Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January**. Details to pay the remaining balance will follow.

Once all initial trip deposits have been received, a parents’ information evening will be arranged to provide further information on the trip – the date of this will be confirmed nearer the time.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Ashford

*Teacher of Physical Education*

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Please complete the reply slip below and return it to: Mrs Ashford

I hereby give permission for my son/daughter to attend the ski trip to Pal/ Arinsal, Andorra, Feb 2026.

Name of child: -----

Year/tutor group: -----

Parent/carer name: -----

Signature: -----

Date: -----

I also confirm that the above-named child has a valid passport, appropriate visa and a UK Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC)