



21 September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Ski Trip to Artesina, Italy – Saturday 15 – Saturday 22 February 2025

Following on from the great success of previous ski trips, we are delighted to inform you that we are organising a skiing trip to Italy. This trip is open to students of all skiing abilities, from advanced to new beginners and will give them a sporting opportunity that they might not otherwise have, develop new skills, friendships and memories.

The trip will take place during the February 2025 half term break, from Saturday 15 - Saturday 22 February 2025 and is open to all students from the current academic years' 7 – 12. All students attending this trip must be on the school roll at the time of the trip and will require a valid passport and E/GHIC. Students will be expected to attend school on the Monday morning after the trip returns.

The cost of the trip is **£1,315** per student and they will also require funds to purchase refreshments whilst on the coach journey, plus any spending money whilst in resort.

The price includes:

All coach travel	5 hot lunch meals on the mountain
Return channel crossings	5 day rental of ski equipment (skis, poles, boots and helmets)
5 nights dinner, bed and breakfast in the hotel	5 days of 5 hours ski instruction
Trip hoodie	5 day ski and lift pass

There are 54 places available on this skiing adventure which will be allocated on a first come first served basis (on payment of deposit via sQuid), with student behaviour taken into consideration. If you would like your child to go on this trip, we require a **non-refundable deposit of £315**, to be paid using our on-line e-payment system, with your existing sQuid account. You will be able to do this from **6pm on Sunday 29 October 2023** (closing date is 10pm on Wednesday 31 October 2023). If you are unable to secure a place for your child and would like their name added to the waiting list, please email our Trips Administrator, Mrs Feetham, at k.feetham@coxgreen.com, once the trip offer is closed, requesting this.

Please note: As we anticipate this to be a high demand trip, we would advise parents/carers to log in to sQuid using a web browser rather than using the sQuid app. We have found that occasionally, certain phone models do not fully support the functionality of the sQuid app and parents/carers have struggled to complete the booking process. Please ensure you select the trip from the Trips/Offer Section, add the trip to your basket, agree to the Terms & Conditions, and then fully check out. Please ensure you select the correct offer for the year group your child is in.

For your information, the remaining payment dates are listed below. Please note that all payments can be made at any time but each one **must** be paid by the deadline stated.

Payment Required	To Be Paid By
£315 deposit (non-refundable)	At time of booking (by 31 October 2023)
£250	by 28 February 2024
£250	by 28 April 2024
£250	by 28 June 2024
£250	by 28 September 2024

Please note that due to the nature of this trip, should your child withdraw from attending, we are unable to issue a refund, unless we can re-sell the place.

If you would like any further information about this trip, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Mrs Feetham, Trips Administrator, by email to k.feetham@coxgreen.com.

Yours sincerely



Mr A Morris
Ski Trip Leader
Associate Senior Leader: Mathematics
DofE Leader

Please note:

- *Places on all trips are subject to the school Behaviour Policy. Any student who receives an internal or fixed term external suspension will have their place withdrawn from the trip and no refund will be made unless the place can be re-sold. In addition, if the school assesses that the attendance on a trip is a Health and Safety risk to the student or to others, a place will not be allocated to that student or a place will be withdrawn and there will be no refund made unless the place can be re-sold.*
- *Should your child be unable to attend a trip due to medical reasons, we will require a Medical Certificate to apply for an insurance claim.*
- *If the trip is cancelled due to uncontrollable circumstances i.e. weather, Foreign/Home Office guidance, the refunding of costs will be subject to insurance cover.*
- *If your child is, or has ever been in receipt of free school meals, then you may be eligible for assistance with the costs of this trip, from the school's Pupil Premium funding. To make a request for assistance please contact the Finance Office via email: finance@coxgreen.com or in writing to the school; including your child's name and form, stating that they are, or have been in receipt of free school meals. The Pupil Premium funding is to be used for educational purposes only.*
- *Please note that Pupil Premium support for this trip is limited to 10% of the total cost of the trip and all requests should be made by 12 noon on Wednesday 4 October 2023.*
- *This trip is run via travel company: Select School Skiing
To enable your child to attend the trip, we will be sharing your child's personal data with the travel company and any partners of the travel company that are required for the running of the contract (e.g. airlines, hotels, etc.).*
- *Payments are to be made by the dates specified. Late or non-payment may result in your child's place being withdrawn from the trip. If you choose to withdraw your child for reasons not stated above, any costs attributed to date, must still be made.*
- *Should the school need to contact you in an emergency, we will use contact details supplied on your most recent OA4 Form (off-site activity form). If there are any changes to the details on this form, including any medical or dietary requirements, it is the parent/carer responsibility to inform the school.*
- *This is an optional trip and is not essential to the curriculum or completion of the syllabus being studied.*
- *There will be no insurance cover due to disinclination to travel.*