



June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

## Ski Trip 2025

We are planning next year's ski trip to St. Johann, Austria leaving school in the afternoon of Thursday 03 April 2025 and returning on Thursday 10 April 2025.

The visit will include five nights' half-board accommodation at a hotel (no less than 3\*) in the St. Johann area of Austria, five hours of professional ski instruction each day, the hire of skis, ski-boots, poles and evening activities which will include Austrian bowling, sledging and swimming.

Travel will be by luxury coach with a TV, DVD player and toilet.

The skiing is suited to all ages and abilities with 800km of slopes and 120 ski runs providing ample opportunity for all skiers to be challenged.

The charge will be £1,140 for skiers and £1,170 for snowboarders. These prices include one dry ski session in the UK prior to the trip, equipment hire, a personalised school ski trip hoodie and one evening swimming activity whilst on the trip.

The closing date for applications is Friday 28 June 2024. If your child is allocated a place on the trip you will be able to pay in instalments via ParentPay, these will be indicated on the ParentPay payment page.

How to apply for a place on this trip:

Complete the parental consent online at <https://www.parentpay.com>. You will be asked for the following:

- Your £300.00 deposit
- Passport Information
- Medical information

If you do not have a ParentPay account, please email [ParentPay@seafordhead.org](mailto:ParentPay@seafordhead.org) for an activation code.

I will be in touch with confirmation of your place on the trip. If you are not allocated a place on the trip you will receive your deposit back.

An initial non-refundable deposit of £300 is required, payable through ParentPay, with the balance to be paid via instalments by Monday 20 January 2025 at the very latest. Please note that:

- Once paid instalments are non-refundable
- In the event of a student leaving the school we unable to offer any refund.

## Seaford Learning Trust

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- Instalment dates and amounts are:  
1st instalment – 30 September 2024 - £300  
2nd instalment – 30 November 2024 - £300  
3rd instalment – 20 January 2025 - £240

**Anyone who has signed up for snowboarding will have an additional £10 per instalment.**

This trip is limited to 40 places and only students in Years 10 & 12 (current Year 9 and Year 11) will be considered. If more than 40 students apply, places will be allocated via a ballot. However, Seaford Head School reserves the right to refuse students who do not meet the following criteria:

- Outstanding attendance record (above 95%)
- Outstanding behaviour record
- Outstanding academic progress (in all subjects)

Please have a discussion with the trip leader if you consider that your child suffers from mental health or other well-being issues at any point before the departure date. This will enable the school to decide whether or not any adjustments could be made to include your child and to ensure that the whole party has a safe and enjoyable trip.

While the staff and volunteers in charge of the group will take all reasonable care of students, unless they are negligent, they cannot be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury suffered by your child during or arising from the visit.

Please ensure that your child understands that it is important for their safety and for the safety of the group that any rules and instructions given by the staff in charge are obeyed. Your child should behave appropriately at all times and on no account should attempt to obtain, buy, take or consume alcohol, tobacco or other banned/illegal substances.

Any personal items, such as mobile phones, are not covered by the school's insurance.

All students who are successful in their application to join the trip will be notified by the 8 July 2024.

New skiers – All new skiers will have to attend the dry ski slope session as this is a compulsory requirement for them to take part in this trip.

Snowboarding - It is advisable that those wishing to do snowboarding have skied or snowboarded on snow before, or have completed a course of at least 4 sessions on indoor snow dome conditions. The injury rate for snowboarding is much higher and we are following advice directly from the lead ski company.

If you have any questions, please contact me by letter or email at [sharonbrennan@seafordhead.org](mailto:sharonbrennan@seafordhead.org)

Yours sincerely



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Mrs Brennan  
Ski Trip Leader