



16th January 2020

Dear Parent/ Carer

Ski Trip April 2020 Details and Passports

As promised, I am writing to firstly thank you for your payment in full for the ski trip. The trip is fast approaching and I am now requesting that your child's Passport and E111 Health Card are brought into school. I also have final details regarding departure and arrival back to school.

I wrote in September informing you that we have been advised to have at least six months left on passports at the date of leaving for the trip. This would mean that your child's passport should **expire no sooner than 3rd October 2020**. You will need to arrange to buy a new passport as soon as possible if your child's passport expires before this date.

I also wrote to inform you about the E111 European Health Cards that were available for free and would cover any medical costs your child could incur if they were in the very unlikely event of being in an accident. If you have not yet applied for this, below is the link to get these;

www.ehic.org.uk

Can I ask that all passports and E111 cards are brought into school **before February Half Term** and taken to the school Finance office for Mrs Chapman to lock in the safe. This is so that I have all of the passport details ready for the trip, they are kept safe and so no one forgets it on the date of leaving. Please let me know on the email address at the bottom of this letter if there are any problems with this.

Finally, our departure time for the trip will be **2.00am from the school bus stop on Friday 3rd April 2020**. Please can you ensure that you **meet at the school by 1:45am** so that we can leave on time. Apologies for the incredibly early meet time, but we are flying with Ryanair from Manchester Airport at 6:45am. We will be arriving at Milan airport around 3 hours later and once at the hotel, your child will have free time to get some much needed sleep. Your child has a **20Kg** luggage allowance and they are responsible for making sure that they do not exceed this. **Excess baggage will be charged at £11 per Kg**. Therefore I ask that your child wears their ski jacket for travelling to and from Italy as this will free up more weight.

We will then be skiing Saturday until Wednesday and our arrival back at The Gainsborough Academy is expected to be around **2.00pm on Thursday 9th April**. I suggest a minimum spending allowance of 90 Euros, 30 of which will be used for evening activities such as pizza night.

I have attached a Kit List and I will supply all parents/carers with an emergency phone number nearer to the departure date.

Yours sincerely

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