

November 2022

SKI/SNOWBOARD TRIP 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted to announce that Tretherras will be running a ski trip in February half-term 2024. This will, initially, be for students currently in Years 8, 9 and 10. For many years Tretherras ran a very successful ski trip, but due to the pandemic has not been able to for the past 3 years. We are very excited to reinstate this trip as part of our offer of overseas trips for our students and will be using Elemental UK as our tour operator (a Cornwall based company with over 30 years' experience of running school adventurous trips and are ABTA bonded and ATOL protected).

We are acutely aware of the rising cost of living and, with this in mind, we are launching the trip now to give families maximum time to budget and save.

We are inviting parents of students who are currently in Years 8, 9 and 10 to attend an 'expression of interest' meeting on **Monday 28th November** in the Quay Hall. The meeting will start at **5:30pm** and only last 30 minutes. There will be a short presentation, introduction to Elemental UK and a question and answer session. You can see more from Elemental UK via this link [Winter Ski in Cornwall at Elemental UK In Falmouth and Newquay Cornwall](#)

The trip is for 9 days, 8 nights and we will be either going to France or Italy, but will not be able to confirm this until final numbers are confirmed. Both hotels are set up for school groups with all rooms enjoying en-suite facilities. Accommodation is full board, with a large buffet selection available for breakfast, and a hot lunch and a 3 course evening meal.

We are not able to confirm the exact final price currently, but in discussions with Elemental UK we expect the trip to be no more than £1250. This price includes insurance, equipment hire (including helmets which are compulsory), 5 hours supervised tuition a day, a six day ski pass and all meals. We will have a choice of Après-ski activities such as skating, bowling, curling and Karaoke, which are also included in the price. We hope to be able to include a trip hoody within this cost. The cost to hire/provide ski clothing or pocket money is not included.

Departure Date:	Saturday 10th February 2024
Return Date:	Sunday 18th February 2024
Mode of Travel:	Executive coach – Dover to Calais Ferry/Tunnel
Cost per child:	Skiing/Snowboarding £1200-1250

Given this is our first ski trip in some time, we are expecting most students to be beginner skiers or snowboarders. We will only be able to accommodate intermediate/advance skier/boarders if instructor group numbers are full (at 12 for skiers and 8 for snowboarders). We are hoping to be able to take 90 students on the trip. Places will not be allocated on a first come, first served basis due to the need to fill instructor groups based on ability.

Once you confirm your interest, we will then confirm your child's place on the trip and ask for a deposit of £150 to be paid by the 7th January 2023 via ParentPay. We will not be committing any monies to the tour company until the final price has been confirmed. At this point deposits become non-refundable and all further payments are non-refundable, unless covered by Elemental UK cancellation insurance. Other instalment deadlines will be spread out over the year ahead once the trip has been booked.

If you are interested in your child taking part in this trip, please attend the expression of interest meeting on the 28th. If you are unable to attend but would like your child to have a place on the trip, please email me via enquiries@tretherras.net providing me with the following information: Child's Name, Year group, Form Tutor, Preference to ski or board, Experience- Beginner, Intermediate (1-4 weeks of experience on snow), Advance (5+ weeks on snow).

Yours sincerely,



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