



4th October 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to confirm that your young person has been allocated a place on the 2023 ski trip to Masella during February half term.

Many thanks for the payments made so far via ParentPay. Many of you have paid the total cost of £1,150 already, some have the final payment to make and some have a little more to pay.

We need to pay the ski company the balance in early November so I am setting a deadline of the **31st of October to pay the balance** if you have not yet done so. Please contact the finance office if you need to clarify what needs to be paid, please email:- finance@passmoresacademy.com

If you are going to have some issues paying the balance by then, please email me (email address below) and we can discuss the options. It would be a shame to lose someone from the trip at this late stage.

On Thursday the 3rd of November 6.30-7.30pm I have arranged a Ski Information Evening in the main hall. It is vital that you attend this meeting with your young person.

I will be giving more details about the trip – travel arrangements, the resort, hotel and expectations. As you are aware, the trip includes the hire of skis, boots, poles and helmets but **not** ski clothing.

I have arranged for Marc from Snow Union to come and talk about ski clothing and you will have the opportunity to hire or buy clothing and equipment on the evening. Just in time for Christmas presents! A trip fleece/hoodie is included in the price so, on the night, your young person will have the opportunity to try on the hoodie and select their choice of initials.

Finally, Passports and travel restrictions need addressing before we travel. See below and over the page for the latest guidance.

Passports

Each member of the trip must have their own passport and the passport must have **at least 6 months left on it** from the date of return which is the 18th of Feb 2023. This means all **passports must not expire before the 18th of August 2023**. Please ensure that you check the passport status and, where necessary, ensure you apply for a new passport NOW, as there are reports of long delays with passport renewals.

Travel Restrictions/Covid

If you are traveling to Spain you must show valid proof of one of the following on entry: being fully vaccinated. Your vaccination status must meet the Spanish authorities' validity period requirements. See ['If you're fully vaccinated'](#).

a negative COVID-19 test: either a PCR taken within 72 hours prior to departure, or an antigen test taken within 24 hours prior to departure. See ['If you're not fully vaccinated'](#).

having recovered from COVID-19 in the last 6 months. You can use a medical certificate or recovery record to prove your COVID-19 status on entry to Spain. See ['If you've had COVID-19 in the past year'](#). These requirements do not apply to children under 12 years old. See ['Children and young people'](#)

The cost of any test is not included in the trip cost and MUST be met by your family with proof provided to the school before the 72 hour window having recovered from COVID-19 in the last 6 months. More details to follow nearer to our departure date.

Looking forward to seeing you all in early November after half term. Any questions, please call or email d.chadwick@passmoresacademy.com

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D CHADWICK". The signature is stylized with a large initial "D" and a flourish at the end.

Mr D Chadwick
Vice Principal
Trip Leader