



25 September 2014

Dear Parents

Ski Trip to Les Menuires – Saturday 31st January to Saturday 7th February 2015

We intend holding a Parents' Evening on **Thursday 9th October at 7.00pm in the Auditorium** to provide you with further details, watch a short PowerPoint presentation showing aspects of the trip and also issue the "Sub 32" clothes hire brochure. A representative from the hire company will be there to display the clothes and to answer any questions. There is no compulsion to hire, but you must ensure that your child has suitable and safe clothing for the ski trip.

At this parents' evening we will be collecting important information regarding passports and contact details (forms attached). Each child will need a valid individual passport of their own for the trip. If your child does not already hold a full passport it is advisable to start the process of applying for one now. Application forms are available from the Post Office and take at least six weeks to process. We would like you to bring your child's passport to the Parents' Evening so that we can take a photocopy, but we **will not** be keeping them.

In addition, we would like to check that your child has a current European Health Insurance Card (EHIC); if your child does not already have one, this is also available from the Post Office or online at www.ehic.org.uk/ (at no cost to you).

Fitness training for all students will begin after school on Friday 10th October finishing at approx 4.30pm, and every school Friday thereafter until the ski trip departs (except 12th & 19th December).

We have also booked Beginners' Lessons on the Dry Ski Slope for Friday 28th November (Inset Day) from 10am until 1.30pm at Snowtrax in Hurn. If your child has never skied on snow before he/she will be expected to attend and a trip letter will be sent out very soon.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting on Thursday 9th October at 7.00pm. Please bring **your child's passport & EHIC** for us to check and photocopy, the completed **Information Request Form** and the completed **Educational Visit Information and Consent Form for Adventurous or Residential Off-site Activities** with you.

If you have any questions, please contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

Rob Hudson
Ski Trip Leader