



# BORDEN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Borden Grammar School  
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To Parents of students in Years 7 – 12

28 April 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Proposed School Skiing Trip to Passo Tonale, Italy – February 2024

Following the popularity and success of previous skiing trips to Aprica, Sestriere, Claviere & Passo Tonale, and most recently in Artesina, we have decided to book a similar trip next year. The trip will run during the school holiday from Friday 9 February 2024 to Saturday 17 February 2024. We will be going to Passo Tonale, Italy. It straddles a mountain pass that links the Trentino and Lombardy regions and is a purpose built resort of 100 km of ski area, including a gentle blue on the Presena glacier. Passo Tonale is a small town which is mostly laid out along one main road, so it is easy to find your way around. It is a family orientated ski resort located in northern Italy and sits at an altitude of 1885 m.

The cost of the trip will be **£1500**, which can be broken down into a deposit plus monthly payments. The price includes:

- return transportation by executive coach
- return cross channel ferries – Dover/Calais
- 6 nights full board accommodation
- all ski equipment (ski, boot, pole and helmet) hire for 6 days
- ski lift pass for 6 days
- 6 days skiing x 5 hours of tuition per day with fully qualified staff
- In-house apres-ski programme
- winter sports travel and medical insurance
- the backup of a ABTA and an ATOL bonded travel company with special expertise in group travel

The trip offers your son/daughter an amazing opportunity to try this exhilarating sport and experience the atmosphere and culture of a skiing resort. We will be travelling with Halsbury Travel, an established provider and travel company that specialises in creating tailored school trips.

If you would like your son/daughter to be considered for inclusion on the trip please complete and return the attached slip along with a non-refundable deposit for **£300 by Friday 12 May 2023**. However, places are limited and will be allocated using a ballot system. Once the deposit is paid and a place is confirmed remaining payments can be spread out in monthly instalments with the final payment due by Tuesday 1 November 2022. The payments schedule will be as follows:

- deposit of £300 to be paid by Friday 12 May 2023
- payment of £200 to be paid by Thursday 01 June 2023
- payment of £200 to be paid by Saturday 01 July 2023
- payment of £200 to be paid by Tuesday 01 August 2023
- payment of £200 to be paid by Friday 01 September 2023



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- ❑ payment of £200 to be paid by Sunday 01 October 2023
- ❑ payment of £200 to be paid by Wednesday 01 November 2023

Your son/daughter will need a passport, which must be valid for at least six months after the date of return (i.e. 17 August 2024), have a GHIC (Global Health Insurance Card) which is free and can be applied for online via the NHS website. (Go to <https://www.gov.uk/global-health-insurance-card> for more information.)

We prefer that payments for trips are either made by cheque which can be deposited in a named envelope through the letter box in the Finance Office, or via the BGS online payment system. Details of how to make online payments have been issued in personalised letters for each student's parents. If you require a new copy, please contact the Finance Officer, Mrs Rich, at [rich@bordengrammar.kent.sch.uk](mailto:rich@bordengrammar.kent.sch.uk) and she will send one out. If cash payments are made for trips, students must deliver them in person to the Finance Officer or Bursar and a receipt will be issued. Cash payments can only be accepted at morning registration or morning break and MUST NOT be posted through the Finance Office letter box.

Yours faithfully,



**Mrs E Carter**  
**Head of Mathematics**

**Borden Grammar School Skiing Trip to Passo Tonale, Italy 09 – 17 February 2024**

*Please tick each box that applies below*

Name of Pupil \_\_\_\_\_ Form \_\_\_\_\_

- I have read the information about the proposed skiing trip on 09 – 17 February 2024 and wish my *son/daughter* to take part in the visit.
  
- I enclose £\_\_\_\_\_ towards the visit. *Cash / Cheque\** payable to Borden Grammar School. *\*please delete as appropriate*

**OR**

- I have made an online payment of £\_\_\_\_\_ *please note Scopay available from 03/05/23*

**Please return to Finance Office by Friday 12 May 2023**