

Two Mile Ash School Year 5&6 Ski Visit - Andorra 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Tuesday 29th November 2023

I am delighted to write to you and offer details and information regarding our 2025 school ski visit. We are thrilled that we can resume our offer of this outstanding experience. As you are aware, as a school, we are very committed to our residential trips and believe that the experiences the children have going out of school is hugely beneficial to them both socially and emotionally.

This will be our 13th year and as such we have worked very hard to negotiate yet another superb deal for 2025. We will be returning to Andorra and the resort of Pal-Arinsal (previously visited in 2020). This is a fantastic resort in this wonderful country nestled between Spain and France, and perfect for our needs with excellent skiing for all levels, a small but well catered town and exciting additional activities.

Our philosophy is that skiing can be an expensive family holiday and therefore if you would like your child to experience this as part of a school group then we could make this available to you at what we feel is amazing value.

Should you require more information before signing up, I will be holding a drop-in session in the Music room on Thursday 14th December from 3:30-4:00pm. This will not be a presentation but merely an opportunity ask questions that you may have. Alternatively, feel free to reach me at school via phone or email.

Details

Departure Time TBC Sun 9th March 2025

Arrival TBC

Departure Time TBC Sat 15th March 2025

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The total cost for the trip will be **£1088.00**. This figure is fully inclusive and includes the following:

- 6 nights full board accommodation
- 5-day local lift pass and slope access
- 5-days hire of ski equipment (maximum 2 years old)
- 5-days x 4 hours ski instruction (at a ratio of 1:12 maximum)
- Door-to-door full specification coach transport
- All flights and transfers
- A full evening entertainment programme to include bowling, swimming, visits and much more
- Fully comprehensive winter sports insurance
- 24-hour Emergency Assistance whilst in resort
- Services of a dedicated Ski Representative for the entire week
- Snow guarantee insurance
- Local UK based rep
- Helmet hire

More details about the resort can be found here: <https://selectschoolskiing.com/school-ski-trips-destinations/school-ski-trips-andorra/pal-arinsal-andorra> and our school website has a link from our previous visits: <https://www.tmaschool.com/curriculum/educational-visits/>

Payment Plan

We have created a suitable stretched out payment plan to help accommodate the costs. Given the nature of the trip as an additional experience for children in addition to the National Curriculum, if we do not receive one hundred per cent contributions, the trip will not be able to run.

You will be able to secure a space on ParentPay from Monday 21st November, a non-refundable deposit of £38.00 is required along with the permission slip. Places will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

In addition, we have arranged a convenient plan for subsequent payment deadlines as follows. However, we are more than happy to consider a different monthly payment plan or full/larger payments should this help you. **We will require all payments by 31st October 2024.**

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| Instalment 1 | £38.00 | 31/12/2023 |
| Instalment 2 | £105.00 | 31/01/2024 |
| Instalment 3 | £105.00 | 28/02/2024 |
| Instalment 4 | £105.00 | 31/03/2024 |
| Instalment 5 | £105.00 | 30/04/2024 |
| Instalment 6 | £105.00 | 31/05/2024 |
| Instalment 7 | £105.00 | 30/06/2024 |
| Instalment 8 | £105.00 | 31/07/2024 |
| Instalment 9 | £105.00 | 31/08/2024 |
| Instalment 10 | £105.00 | 30/09/2024 |
| Instalment 11 | £105.00 | 31/10/2024 |

Cancellations:

Please be aware that booking this visit you will be liable for the full cost of **£1088.00**.

A school ski visit is such an amazing trip to be part of and whilst we appreciate the cost involved is higher than that of alternative school trips, it is certainly a once in a lifetime experience for most children, unique amongst Milton Keynes primary schools and thus, we strongly believe that it is worth every penny.

As amazing as a school ski visit is, please take into consideration the suitability of your child before committing to the trip. The trip requires a high level of maturity, independence and responsibility from the children. It also requires a reasonable level of fitness due to the physically demanding nature of the activity, the full programme of activities and the travel elements. We would urge you to think carefully before securing a place.

Finally, as a school we are always extremely excited about the prospect of taking our pupils away and look forward to receiving requests to join our ski party. If you have any queries or concerns at this stage, please do not hesitate to contact finance@tma.bucks.sch.uk.

Kind regards

Adam Shirley

Ski Visit Leader, Head of School Visits

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I confirm that I understand that I will be liable for the full cost of this visit £1088.00 should I wish to cancel the booking.

Name of child Class.....

Signed:..... (Parent/Carer) Date:

Deposit paid £38.00 on-line Transaction Number.....

Please return to: Kim Smith, Finance Administrator