18th April 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian/Carer

Re: Ski Trip to New Hampshire, Including New York City and Boston, USA

Provisional date: February 2020

Academy staff have previously run a number of highly successful ski trips to America and due to popular demand are planning to run a similar trip to New Hampshire in 2020. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to learn new skills and develop confidence, resilience and new found camaraderie all on a different continent.

Also, there is the added excitement and the magic of New York: See the lights of Times Square and experience the famous city skyline from the top of the Empire State building, meals at famous restaurants, Central Park, Central Station, shopping, and also a visit to Ground Zero.



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In Boston we will visit the wonderful Quincy Market; Boston Common; the Freedom Trail which is a 2.5 mile long path through downtown Boston, Massachusetts that passes by 16 locations significant to the history of the United States.

This is a truly awesome, and quite possibly a once in a lifetime experience.

Please find a summary of the draft itinerary below.

Activity

Meet at The Bishop of Winchester Academy Depart from Heathrow to New York

New York 2 nights

Times Square – Empire State Building – shopping in New York Staten Island ferry - Ground Zero-Central Park -New York shopping-Central station

Arrive New Hampshire - 5 days ski

Ski tuition in 2 resorts 10:00 – 12:00 Morning lesson Lunch

1:00-3:00 Afternoon Lesson

Return to hotel for evening meal

Evening activities – e.g. swimming, quiz, ice hockey match

Boston Quincy Market -Freedom Trail -Boston Common

Evening Flight from Boston Airport



The trip is run through Equity Ski, a fully ABTA bonded travel company that specialise in school groups. The flights will be with a reputable international airline company such as Virgin Atlantic or BA and the accommodation is in the 4* North Conway Grand Hotel where the rooms and facilities are excellent. The students will get to experience skiing with fully Ski fully qualified instructors at all times in two outstanding resorts, Attitash and Wildcat.

For the third trip running we have managed to keep the increase in costs to a minimum and are pleased to advise you that this year's increase is only £150 on the 2018 trip. The cost of this trip is £1700 and this includes flights, accommodation, hotel meals, ski hire and instruction. We appreciate this is a considerable amount and our plans incorporate a 18 month payment plan which, for most covers two Christmas and birthdays. Students will need to bring additional spending (shopping!) money and funds to purchase food at lunchtimes.

Also included in the cost of this year's trip are a series of dry ski slope lessons at Snowtrax, Christchurch, prior to departure to ensure snow time is maximised once in America en piste.

If you are interested in finding out more about the trip and how to secure a place for your child then please come along to an Information Evening Wednesday 25th April at 6.00pm. If you are unable to attend and would like further information or have specific questions then please email on Skitrip2020@tbowa.org

If you are planning to attend the information evening, please complete the below slip and return to Student Desk.

Yours faithfully

Amanda Hooper Vice Principal

Please return to Student Desk.	New Hampshire Ski Trip 2020
Name of Student: Mentor Group:	
will be attending the Ski Trip information evening on Wednesday 25 th April 2018.	
Signed by Parent/Guardian/Carer: Date:	
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