



April 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

I have the pleasure of informing you that your child has been successful in obtaining a place on the 2027 ski trip to Axamer Lizum. There was an incredible amount of interest this year with places secured within an hour of the trip going live.

The total cost of the trip is £1494, which means that in addition to the £100 deposit you have already paid, there is now a balance of £1394, which needs to be paid by the start of November 2026. In order to spread payments out and make the cost more manageable, the following payment plan has been agreed:-

Date	Payment due	Remaining balance
		£1,494
Deposit (paid)	£100	£1,394
Week commencing 04/05/2026	£100	£1,294
Week commencing 08/06/2026	£350	£944
Week commencing 13/07/2026	£350	£594
Week commencing 07/09/2026	£350	£244
Week commencing 02/11/2026	£244	£0

*Please note that payments can be made at any point in the week via ParentPay with the **deadline for each payment window being 5pm on the Thursday of that week.***

It is important that we reiterate that the deposit and any future payments paid towards the trip moving forwards are, regrettably non-refundable. If for any reason your child should pull out of the trip, all monies collected and paid to the tour company will be lost, if a replacement cannot be found.

UK based ski lessons/sessions

As we have done in previous years, we will facilitate some trips to a UK based ski venue, previously we have used Tamworth Snow Dome. In the past students have enjoyed these trips and found that they really accelerated their progress once out on the Austrian slopes.

These are likely to take place in October/November/December 2026 and more information including associated costs will be released once these have been arranged.



Kit and required clothing

As the 2026 ski season is coming to a close, May/June is the perfect time to grab a bargain and purchase ski clothing at discounted prices. To reiterate, all skis, poles, boots and helmets are included in the cost of the trip but students will need to purchase the following specific clothing:

- A good quality ski jacket
- Ski salopettes (thermal lined, waterproof ski trousers)
- Ski gloves/mittens

We are in regular dialogue with the travel provider and will keep you updated throughout the coming months. There will be a full parents' information evening at school prior to the visit, but in the meantime if you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact us at school.

As this trip involves foreign travel, your child will require their own passport and GHIC card. Parents must ensure that their child's passport has at least six months of validity remaining before the date of departure.

[Applying for healthcare cover abroad \(GHIC and EHIC\) - NHS](#)

For information, all trips are planned in line with the latest DFE guidance and as such all students must share rooms with students of the same biological sex.

Whilst we have an incredibly positive behaviour culture at Heanor Gate and we are sure all students attending will behave responsibly. However, if there are any serious breaches of the school's behaviour policy between now and our departure, then we reserve the right to review your child's place on the trip to ensure a positive experience for everyone.

We will hold a short 10-minute meeting with all students on **Tuesday 21 April, from 3pm** in the **Main Hall** after the Easter holidays. Additionally, students are required to join the Google Classroom using the code ****aktqbarh****, which has been set up to facilitate clear and effective communication between students, school, and home.

We will be holding a Parent Information Evening in the new academic year, scheduled to take place between mid-October and early November. Further details about this event will be shared closer to the time. We will also provide information regarding the optional practice sessions. Please note that these sessions require an additional payment for each session your child attends.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact us at: **skileads2027@heanorgatespencer.org.uk**

Yours sincerely

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