

3rd October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to update you about our upcoming ski trip. With the 2026 Winter Olympics being held in the nearby Milano Cortina region, many of the hotels in Aprica, including the Hotel Bozzi have been chosen to host Olympic athletes and staff. This means that our tour operator, Select Ski, has had to make a change to our original resort, and hotel. While this was unexpected, it has given us the fantastic opportunity to experience a new ski area and enjoy some added benefits that we believe will enhance the trip.

Our new destination, still in Italy, will be **Claviere**, part of the renowned **Italian 'Milky Way' ski area**, and we will be staying at the **Hotel Passero Pellegrino**.

This change brings several advantages:

- **Skiing in two countries** - Claviere sits right on the Italian-French border, giving us access not only to the Italian slopes but also to Montgenèvre in France. This means our students can enjoy skiing in two different countries during the same trip.
- **More variety on the slopes** - The 'Milky Way' area offers an extensive network of runs suitable for all abilities, providing even greater variety and challenge than originally planned.
- **Higher altitude** - The new resort sits at a higher altitude, which should mean even more reliable snow conditions, helping ensure a fantastic skiing experience throughout our stay.

As we have not visited Claviere before, to ensure everything is fully prepared, a **pre-trip visit will be taking place** in advance of our departure. This will allow Mr Pitts and Mr Hill to carry out the necessary risk assessments, confirm safety procedures, and familiarise themselves with the resort and facilities so that the trip runs as smoothly and safely as possible.

Next Steps

To help you prepare for the trip, there will be a Parent Meeting at school on **Thursday 16th October 2025, at 5:00pm in the Hall**. This meeting will provide essential information regarding the trip, including travel arrangements, kit requirements, luggage guidance, sleeping arrangements, code of conduct, and behaviour expectations. Please confirm your attendance by completing [this](#) Google form.

In addition, you will shortly receive a link from the **Select School Travel portal** asking you to complete passport details and other important information. Please ensure this is completed no later than **18th October 2025** in order to meet the travel company's deadlines for their flight data requirements. It is **essential** that the name you enter matches **exactly** the name shown on your **child's passport**. Please note that if it is entered incorrectly, charges may apply to you to make corrections. A **final** Google form will also be sent by ourselves a little nearer to the trip requesting additional information.

We are confident that Claviere and the Hotel Passero Pellegrino will provide an excellent base for the trip, combining comfort, cultural variety, and high-quality skiing. The staff at the hotel are experienced in welcoming school groups, and the resort's setting offers a safe and enjoyable environment for our students.

We are very much looking forward to this enhanced experience and are excited to see the group benefit from the opportunity to ski in such a unique and dynamic setting.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support. Should you have any questions about the new arrangements, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind Regards,

Mr R Pitts
Subject Lead - Physical Education and Trip Leader