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11<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Ski Trip 2020

Ahead of the fast approaching ski trip, we would like to update you on a number of points.

Contrary to what was stated at the information evening, we have decided that passports and EHIC cards will be handed to their Travel Leader by students when boarding the coach, along with their spending money. This is due to logistics but it does mean that we need you to check the validity of your child's passport (especially if we have a no-deal Brexit situation). You can easily do this here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/france/entry-requirements</u>.

In addition to this, the time of departure is now earlier than originally communicated. **On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2020, we need students to be on the QEGS Bus Bay at 11.30am.** Be aware that space on the bus bay for parking will be limited so be prepared to park elsewhere if need be. We will need at least one or two bays next to the coach for loading it up.

Students will need with them:

- One, preferably soft-shelled suitcase, which the student can <u>independently</u> manoeuvre (and carry up/down stairs).
- A travel rucksack with any items for the journey, including money for the outbound journey and ski socks ready for boot fitting on arrival. PLEASE do not give your child fizzy drinks or many (if any!) sweets: it is a **long** journey and they will need to rest overnight ahead of what will be an exciting but exhausting 6 days of skiing.
- To be handed to their travel leader: a valid passport and EHIC card; spending money (pounds sterling for the return and euros) in a sealed envelope with their name and the amount on the front (they can keep money for the journey to France with them); any regular or 'just in case' medicine with the child's name on it and how/when they should take the medication.
- They should be wearing their Ski Trip hoodie (we advise that you wash this beforehand as the fluff malts).

We return to QEGS Bus Bay on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2020, currently estimated at 5.30pm (the Calais ferry crossing is booked for 9.50am). We will update you if this changes.

For general updates, photos and how we are doing on the trip, please follow the Twitter account: @QSski2020

Finally, rooming, hoodie hand-outs and Travel Leaders will be organised this week. Please ask your child to keep a look out for notices and to see us as soon as possible if they are absent for when this happens. Should you have any further queries please contact Miss Angris on <u>Angris@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk</u>.

Other than that, we hope that you have a fun-filled break and we will see you in the New Year.

Yours faithfully

Miss Angris and Miss Senior English KS5 Coordinator and Teacher of PE

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