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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: French Alps School Ski Trip – Saturday 6th – Sunday 14th April 2024

I hope you had a restful summer break.

Further to previous communications I am writing to share important information and also to make you aware that on **Tuesday 5th December**, from 6:30pm – 7:30pm we will be hosting a Parent/Carer information evening with Elemental UK and it is crucial that parent/carers and students attend this meeting.

During the evening you will get to meet staff from Elemental UK as well as the Poltair staff who will be accompanying your child on the trip.

Please complete the below form to confirm your attendance and to ask any questions that will be answered on the evening: <https://forms.office.com/e/pGdkYmqst6>

On this evening you will need to bring with you the following items:

- **Child's Passport:** Issued less than 10 years before the date you enter the country (check the 'date of issue') valid for at least 3 months after the day you plan to leave (check the 'expiry date') Students will need an up-to-date passport (expiry date 14th July 2024 or LATER), so please be sure to apply for these documents, or renew them as soon as possible, if necessary, via this link: <https://www.gov.uk/get-a-child-passport>
- **Child's UK Global Health Insurance Card (UK GHIC) or a UK European Health Insurance Card (UK EHIC).** Applications are free and available online at: [Applying for healthcare cover abroad \(GHIC and EHIC\) - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/healthcare-cover-abroad) It's easy to check the expiry date of your EHIC – it's the date at the bottom right of the card, where it says, er, 'expiry date'. EHICs last five years, and you can apply to renew one up to six months before it's due to expire. If you apply early though, time left on the old card won't be added to your new card.

Please be aware that we will be taking colour photocopies of the above documents during the evening.

As you are probably aware the payment schedule for the ski trip is nearly complete, with only 3 payments remaining:

- By 29th September £112.50
- By 31st October £112.50
- By 30th November £112.50

Included in the cost of the trip is a Poltair Ski hoodie, sample sizes will be available to try on during the evening. Please ensure you place your order with the relevant member of staff.

As mentioned previously, the following items are provided for students:

- Helmet
- Skis
- Ski boots

Please be aware that students will need to bring the following ski essentials:

- Salopettes (Ski trousers)
- Snow boots
- Goggles
- Thermals/base layers
- Ski socks
- Ski jacket
- Gloves
- Hat

I recommend purchasing the essential ski equipment sooner rather than later to avoid peak season prices.

To ensure your child gets the most from their trip we will also be running ski fit sessions after October half term. Further details regarding these will be sent out in due course.

In the meantime, if you wish to discuss any questions or concerns you over this trip, please contact me at any time.

Yours sincerely



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