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Dear Parent/Carer

Waterville Valley USA Ski Trip 2022

Following the disappointment of having to cancel the previous two ski trips due to the global pandemic, I am hoping to run a 2022 ski trip to students in Years 7-11. This is subject to confirmation from the Governments, United Learning and our insurance company that we are safe to proceed.

This trip is always very popular and allows students to experience the excitement of winter sports either learning new skills or developing their level of competency.

The proposed 2022 trip will be going to Waterville Valley Resort, New Hampshire USA https://www.waterville.com/ This will be the fourth time as a school we have visited the United States and the trip will take place from Friday 1st April to Friday 8th April 2022.

The cost of the trip is estimated to be £1,300.00 with the full balance payable by 1^{st} January 2022, which is in line with the ski companies terms and conditions. We will notify you if there is any change in the cost, prior to paying any deposits to the ski company.

The total price of the trip is similar to the cost of our previous trips. The following is included within the cost of the trip:

Return flights to and from USA
US coach transfers to and from the resort
Accommodation for 6 nights in the Snowy Owl Inn (four students sharing)
http://www.snowyowlinn.com/

5 days skiing including tuition (4 hours per day) ski and helmet hire Comprehensive winter ski insurance Evening activities

Potential shopping trip en-route to the airport

Before committing to the trip, it is important to consider the other costs associated with the trip e.g. purchase/hire of skiing clothes etc. as these will be extra but can be purchased from a range of suppliers at varying costs.



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At present we are asking parents/carers to pay a £150.00 deposit by Friday 11th June to secure a place on the trip. This payment will be held by the school until we receive confirmation from the government, United Learning and our insurance company that we are safe to proceed and at this point the booking will be confirmed. At any point prior to us making payment to the ski company this deposit is fully refundable. When payment is made to the ski company it will then be **non-refundable unless the trip is cancelled.** Parents will be notified once the deposits have been sent to the ski company. If payment is not made in full by the 1st January 2022, your child's place will be cancelled and all payments less the deposit and fees will be returned to you.

Having received deposits the proposed payment plan will apply (subject to final booking confirmation) to cover the balance of the trip and all payments will need to be paid via ParentPay:

10 th September 2021	£230.00
1 st October 2021	£230.00
1 st November 2021	£230.00
1 st December 2021	£230.00
1 st January 2022	£230.00

I know you will appreciate the high level of responsibility involved in taking students on trips and we would like to reiterate that the school reserves the right to cancel the place of any student whose behaviour between now and 1st April 2022 leads us to believe that their participation would present too great a risk. Poor attendance could also jeopardise a student's place on the trip. In the event of this occurrence all monies paid, less the non-refundable deposit and fees will be refunded.

If you have any further questions regarding the trip please do not hesitate to email me reevem@seahavenacademy.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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