



15th May 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to announce an exciting opportunity for your child to participate in the **St. John Bosco Arts College Ski Trip to Ankogel, Mallnitz, Austria**, taking place in **February 2027**. This trip promises to be an enriching and enjoyable experience for all students involved, providing them with the chance to develop their skiing skills, experience a new culture, and build lasting memories with their friends and classmates.

As part of this trip, students will not only have the opportunity to take part in skiing lessons tailored to their level, but they will also experience a range of fun evening activities and enjoy the breathtaking scenery of the Austrian Alps. This is a fantastic chance for students to challenge themselves, step outside their comfort zones, and create lifelong memories in a safe and supportive environment.

The trip has been carefully planned to ensure that all aspects—from accommodation to activities—meet high standards, and we have partnered with **Activ4 School Tours** to ensure a seamless experience. In this letter, you will find all the key details about the trip, including dates, accommodation, meals, transport, and the exciting activities planned.

Trip Overview

Cost: £1,130 per student

Dates: 12th February 2027 - 18th February 2027

Duration:

7 Days and 4 Nights

Accommodation:

Students will stay at the **Hotel Bichlhof**, a beautifully renovated hotel with a rich history dating back to the early 20th century. Students will enjoy comfortable rooms, dining areas, a fitness room, a wellness area with a steam sauna, a Games room, a disco, and free Wi-Fi throughout the hotel.

Meals Provided:

- **Half Board** (Breakfast and Dinner) at the hotel.
- **4 x Lunches** will be provided at a slope-side restaurant for added convenience.



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Travel and Transport

The trip includes an Executive Coach transfer to and from the resort, with pick-up and drop-off at St. John Bosco Arts College. A return UK ferry crossing is also included, ensuring a comfortable and seamless journey. Additionally, Activ4 School Tours will provide resort assistance throughout the trip, ensuring everything runs smoothly for both students and staff. Please note that all students will need a valid passport for travel, and we advise ensuring it is up to date well in advance of the trip.

Skiing and Tuition

Lift Pass:

Each student will be provided with a **4-day Resort Ski Pass**, which will grant access to the slopes.

Ski Equipment:

Ski equipment (skis, boots, and helmets) will be provided throughout the trip. Appropriate ski clothing must be purchased prior to the trip and will not be included in the package price.

Ski Tuition:

Students will receive **4 hours of professional ski tuition per day**, with a ratio of one instructor for every 12 students.

Evening Activities

In-House Entertainment:

A range of fun and engaging activities will be provided in the evenings for the students to enjoy themselves after a day on the slopes. Day 5 will include an evening shopping trip in the local area.

Payments and Booking Information

The total cost of the trip is **£1,130 per student**. There are only **45 student spaces** available for this trip, and places will be allocated on a **first-come, first-served basis**. To secure a place for your child, a **non-refundable payment of £100** must be paid via ParentPay by **30th June 2025**, followed by the **first non-refundable deposit of £150**. This deposit will confirm your child's space on the trip if they are within the first 45 paid. Following this, two more non-refundable deposits must then be paid, followed by the last payment being due by **31st October 2026**.

After the initial deposits totaling £400, the remaining balance of **£730** can be divided into **monthly installments**, to be paid between **August 2025 and October 2026**. The payments will be broken down as follows:

- **£100 non-refundable place deposit (due by 30th June 2025)**
- **£150 non-refundable payment (due by 30th June 2025)**
- **£150 non - refundable payment (due by 31st July 2025)**
- **£730.00 divided evenly over 15 months (from August 2025 to October 2026), which comes to approximately £50.00 per month.**



Please see the payment plan below: 15 installments of £50.00

30 th June 2025 - £100 place holding deposit (non-refundable)	28 th February 2026
30 th June 2025 - £150 non-refundable deposit	31 st March 2026
31 st July 2025 - £150 non - refundable deposit	30 th April 2026
31 st August 2025	31 st May 2026
30 th September 2025	30 th June 2026
31 st October 2025	31 st July 2026
30 th November 2025	31 st August 2026
31 st December 2025	30 th September 2026
31 st January 2026	Final payment: 31st October 2026

It is important to note that **all payment deadlines must be met**, as failure to do so may result in your child's place being given to another student.

Next Steps

If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact Miss Provan. We will be providing further details soon and look forward to offering this exciting opportunity to your child. We are confident that this trip will be an unforgettable experience for all involved.

Yours sincerely,

A. Provan

Miss Provan
Teacher of PE & Duke of Edinburgh Manager