

# CUMBRIA PRIMARY SKI COURSE 2018

February 2017

Dear Parents / Carers

As you may know schools in Cumbria have participated in ski courses for primary age children for many years and this year's course to Les Menuires in The Three Valleys, France was again extremely successful. This year, a total of 111 children from 31 different schools across Cumbria attended. Thank you to all those parents and children who sent us letters and emails of appreciation, it makes all our efforts worthwhile.

For 2018 we will visit Les Menuires for the seventh time with SkiBound. Les Menuires is situated in the beautiful Belleville Valley providing an excellent variety of local pistes. The village is at a height of 1815m with an excellent snow record. For beginners, large nursery slopes can be found in most of the areas making up Les Menuires, while the upper slopes provide an array of interconnecting red, blue and green runs. With their instructor, the more advanced skiers have the opportunity to explore a large part of the Three Valleys area, even skiing black runs! On this year's trip we again used Facebook to provide parents with detailed updates on both the outward and return journeys as well as uploading photographs on a regular basis. Do have a look at some of the comments from parents on Cumbria Primary Schools Ski Course Facebook page.

The accommodation is in the 3 star Clubhotel Skilt. You really couldn't expect a better location. In the heart of the resort, the Skilt overlooks its own large sun terrace, with the ski school meeting point a few steps from the terrace. It is an ideal hotel, providing a very high standard of secure accommodation. The bedrooms are of a good size, all en suite and generally sleep two to six people. **For Health & Safety reasons and to ensure we are all in the same hotel, numbers are limited to 112. If we have more children than we can accommodate a waiting list will be kept.**

SkiBound are one of Britain's leading school ski tour operators who have specialised in school group travel since 1986. They have always provided a first class service to us.

**The dates are:- Depart: Early morning on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018  
Return: Late afternoon Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

For 2018 we are travelling by air from Manchester to Geneva.

**The cost for the 2018 course will be £795 per child.**

The price for the 2018 course includes the following:-

- all transport from a central pick up, (one North Cumbria, one South Cumbria) to Manchester airport and back by high specification coach.
- flight from Manchester to Geneva and return.
- transfers from Geneva to the resort and return by high specification coach.
- full board accommodation at the hotel, all rooms en-suite.
- 5 hours ski instruction per day for 6 days with the French Ski School (ESF).
- hire of all ski equipment - skis, boots, helmets and poles.
- 6 day lift pass.
- fully comprehensive insurance cover.
- evening entertainment programme.
- resort representative service
- snow guarantee.

- administration costs.
- no surcharge.

The system of payment for the course is:-

- Initial deposit of **£150** to be paid by **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017**
- Second deposit **£300** to be paid by **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017**
- Final instalment of **£345** to be paid by **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**ALL MONEY PAID IS NON-RETURNABLE UNLESS A DOCTORS CERTIFICATE IS SUPPLIED**

The following items are **not** included in the price and should be budgeted for by parents:

- Pocket money (a maximum of around £30 worth of Euros).
- Breakfast on the outbound journey and lunch in England on return.
- Ski presentation with commemorative photo and grading badge, ride on Speed Mountain as an apres ski activity. Last year this cost approx 12 Euros in total and was paid out of the children's pocket money.
- All pupils will need their own valid passport for the visit.**

The children taking part in the course will need to be properly clothed for winter sports, but it is often possible to hire or borrow clothing, rather than make expensive purchases. In the Autumn Term of this year, parents' meetings will be arranged across the county, when you will be able to get further details of the visit.

You need to be aware that in some cases your child may be the only one attending from their school and frequently there will not be a member of staff from your child's school. The trip is staffed by very experienced teachers who are all good skiers, many of whom are Headteachers. We allocate staff places based on skiing and residential experience, the number of children attending from a particular school and the number of new staff we can mentor each year.

If you wish your child to take part in the 2018 Ski Course please complete **BOTH HALVES** of the attached form and return the top half to your child's school, and the bottom half with the first non-returnable deposit of **£150** to **Burton Morewood C of E Primary School, Burton-in-Kendal, LA6 1ND**. Cheques should be made payable to **Burton Morewood School**. Please write your child's name and school on the reverse of the cheque. If you would like to pay by electronic transfer please indicate on the form the date you did this and reference the transaction with **SKITRIP** and your child's surname to **Burton Morewood Primary School 40-26-02 21539051**

Completed slips and first deposits should be returned by **Friday March 2017**. In the event of us exceeding the hotels capacity, places will be offered on a **first come, first served basis and a waiting list will be kept**. Successful applicants will be informed soon after the Easter break. All monies will be returned to unsuccessful applicants should the course be full.

If you require further information or clarification please get in touch with:-

Party Leaders

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 Executive Headteacher  
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**CUMBRIA PRIMARY SKI COURSE**  
**LES MENUIRES, FRANCE**  
**JANUARY 2018**

The top half of this form should be returned asap to your child's school.  
The bottom half to **BURTON MOREWOOD C E PRIMARY SCHOOL WITH**  
**THE £150 FIRST DEPOSIT CHEQUE.**

I/We wish our child to participate in the Cumbria Primary Ski Course to Les Menuires, France, from the evening of Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January to Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2017. I can confirm the form and initial deposit of £150 has been sent to Burton Morewood C.E. Primary School.

Name of Child.....

School.....

Please tear/cut here:.....

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Name of Child .....

School .....

Child's Home Address.....

Telephone number .....

I/We enclose the first deposit of £150 in respect of the 2018 Ski Course (Cheques made payable to Burton Morewood C E Primary School please). Please write your child's name and school on the reverse of the cheque. Or I have paid by electronic transfer on..... (please insert date transaction completed) *This is a non-refundable deposit.*

Signed ..... Parent/Carer

**TOP HALF OF FORM TO BE RETURNED TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL, BOTTOM HALF OF**  
**FORM WITH £150 CHEQUE,**

**TO:**

**Burton Morewood Primary School, Main St, Burton in Kendal, Carnforth, Lancs LA6 1ND**  
**by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017**