

Dear Parent/Carer

February 2020

### **Current Year 9 & 11 - Easter 2021 Ski Trip – USA**

I am delighted to inform you of a ski trip to Loon and Cannon in New Hampshire, USA. The trip will depart on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 and return on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021, which is during the Easter break. Loon and Cannon are known to be two of USA's premier ski resorts with superb instructors and breath-taking scenery.

The total cost of the trip is £1595 (based on 32 students attending) and includes:

- Return flights and transfer to and from a London airport
- 4 hours per day ski tuition with a fully qualified instructor
- All ski equipment and lift passes. Pupils will need to provide their own ski clothing
- 6 nights half board accommodation
- 1 night stopover in New York City
- Evening entertainment with activities such as bowling, disco night, pizza night and karaoke
- Fully comprehensive winter sports travel insurance

Your child will need their own passport which is valid until after April 2021. Pupils will also need an ESTA in order to travel to the USA. The cost of this is approximately \$14 and it will be the responsibility of parents to organise this closer to the departure date. We will explain how to complete the application for the ESTA at a parent's information evening.

All current Year 9 and Year 11 students (Year 10 and Year 12 when the trip takes place) are invited to apply for this trip. Please note that if your child is aged 16 or over before the return date, there is an additional charge of £80 for Air Passenger Duty.

To register your child's interest please email me directly at [mho@ch-pb.com](mailto:mho@ch-pb.com), if your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium and you require financial assistance please include in this email. **The closing date to register your child's interest is by the end of the school day on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020.**

Staff must be confident that student behaviour will meet the high standards expected; ensuring that instructions will be followed and conduct will be safe, polite and respectful. Any behaviour that results in school sanctions being implemented up to the time of the visit puts student participation at risk. If student behaviour and the resulting sanctions indicate removal from the trip is possible, parents will be fully informed. If a student is removed from the visit due to the above, refunds of payments may not be possible unless a replacement student can be found following the procedures below.

Withdrawal for any reason, except medical, from the trip will only be possible if:

- you find a student to take the place of your son/daughter on the visit
- a letter is provided from yourselves and the replacement to confirm the agreement

Once you have received email confirmation that your child has been accepted onto the trip, please fill in and sign the attached reply slip with a non-refundable deposit of £300 to be paid in to the school finance office via cash or cheque (made payable to Codsall Community High School). **The reply slip and deposit must be returned no later than Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.**

If you have any queries please contact Mr Horsfield on the school telephone number or on the email address above.

Yours faithfully

Mr M. Horsfield  
Head of PE  
Codsall High Federation

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**Reply Slip: Ski Trip – USA – Easter 2021 – Please return to the school finance office after email confirmation of a place has been received.**

Pupil Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I have received a text message confirmation that a place has been reserved and I give permission for my child to attend the ski trip in April 2021.

I have paid the **non-refundable deposit** of £300 to the school finance office by cash/cheque

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Carer

Date \_\_\_\_\_