



HECKMONDWIKE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

LBM/TCC

2 May 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Ski Trip 2026: Saturday 28 March – Saturday 4 April 2026

I am pleased to inform you that following the success of this year's ski trip we are planning to return to the excellent resort of Folgarida in 2026. We have negotiated a fantastic deal with our travel partners, MaxSki and next year's trip will include:

- Transfer to and from school to the airport
- Flights to Italy
- Accommodation at the Hotel Luna
- All in-resort transfers (airport to resort, hotel to ski areas)
- Full board (including a hot on-the-mountain meal)
- All equipment (skis, boots, poles and helmets) with on-the-mountain storage
- Ski pass and ski lessons for 4 hours each day for 5 days
- All evening activities
- In resort Tour co-ordinator provided by our travel partners; MaxSki
- Personalised Ski Trip Hoodie

May I take this opportunity to remind parents that the students are expected to display the very highest standards of behaviour and courtesy.

To reduce the cost of the trip we will be booking via a flexi fly option, this means that the proposed date of Saturday 28 of March 2026 for departure may be changed upon payment of the deposit to Friday 27 of March or Sunday 29 of March. This will be confirmed upon payment of the deposit to MaxSki and will then be communicated to parents.

As an extra for the ski trip, we are delighted to offer two dedicated 2-hour ski lessons at SnoZone prior to our departure. These sessions are designed to benefit all students, regardless of their current skill level. For those new to skiing, these lessons will cover the essential basics, including how to correctly fit equipment, which is crucial for safety and will ensure a smoother start to their time on the slopes in Italy. For our more experienced skiers, these sessions will provide an opportunity to further develop their technique, ultimately enhancing their enjoyment and confidence on the mountain. This proactive approach will allow everyone to get more out of the skiing in Folgarida, enabling them to progress more quickly and safely once we arrive. These are strongly recommended for those that are new to skiing or are of intermediate

ability. These two lessons will run next academic year. The price will depend on number of students attending but should be around £100 for lessons and transport to and from the venue.

The cost of the trip is £1750, excluding lessons at SnoZone. A slight increase from this year, but we have a much better quality of hotel. This trip is exclusively a skiing trip, we are not offering the opportunity for students to snowboard.

It is parents responsibility to ensure that you child will be able to attend this trip with their current passport and visa status. School will not be responsible for any costs incurred due to cancellation costs incurred if a student cannot travel due to passport/visa restrictions. It is therefore vital that you check this as any payments made will not be refundable in such circumstances, and indeed further payments to the full total may still be due.

If you would like your child to attend the ski trip, please complete the registration form below. The trip will be open to all students in current years 7 – 12, however for those students who will be in Y11 and Y13 next year please be aware of the proximity of this trip to your examinations. There will be an expectation that you will work hard before and after the ski trip. For current Y11 students, the expectation is that if you would like to attend the trip you will be a student in our sixth form from September. Students who went on last year's trip will still have the opportunity to go on this trip.

In these early planning stages, we have asked all interested students to express interest, and your child did this. To secure this interest and make commitment to pay all future instalments, we require a £350 deposit payable through parent pay by Friday 16 May.

Due to the infancy of planning, there is no confirmed price yet, but we are relatively confident it will be no more than £1750. Payment of this will be staggered over the course of the next year, to make this trip as accessible as possible.

Please ensure that First name and Surname are the same as the details shown on your child passport

<https://forms.office.com/e/m8yYUqqH71>

The deadline for application for places will be 9:00 a.m. on Friday 16 May. There will be no extension to this deadline so please ensure you apply before this time.

Places will be allocated in line with our EV selection protocol from the applications we receive. I will then contact parents and students who have been allocated a place. Parents will then be required to pay the deposit as per the schedule below. I have designed this to allow parents to spread the cost.

- Deposit of £350 to be paid when registering your interest in the trip.
- 2nd payment of £400 to be paid by 9:00am Friday 6 June 2025
- Payment for the lessons to be paid Friday 4 July 2025 (roughly £100 with current estimates)
- 3rd payment of £335 to be paid by 9:00am Friday 12 September 2025
- 4th payment of £335 to be paid by 9:00am Friday 31 October 2025

- Final Balance of £330 to be paid by 9:00am on Friday 12 December 2025

Please note that by paying the deposit you are committing to pay the full balance by the agreed deadlines. After Monday 19 May should you decide that your child can no longer attend the ski trip, we will refund any monies paid only if a replacement student can be found. We will subtract the fees required to change the passenger details with the airlines from these monies. At the time of writing the airline fee for amending a passenger name is approximately £100.

We will hold a parents and students evening in the new academic year to provide you with as much information as possible in advance. Under the School Governors' [Charging and Remissions Policy](#), this includes all the details outlined above. Insurance is included in the price (a copy of the policy can be provided), but you may have or wish to take out your own insurance.

The payments for the trip must be done via ParentPay by the dates shown above. When you make payment via ParentPay you will be prompted to provide parental consent for your child to attend this trip and you will also be asked to input your contact /medical details directly into a confidential section of ParentPay. Please can I ask you complete the deposit payment on ParentPay as per the schedule above. Please be aware that should you child be unable to attend the trip due to medical emergency then we would require official confirmation of this at the time.

Unfortunately, our Risk Protection Assurance policy will not offer cover if a student is unable to attend due to having a positive Covid test, hence in such circumstances no refunds would be available.

I am thrilled to be able to offer this trip again, last year's trip was amazing and I am really looking forward to skiing again next year. I hope that your child can join us. If you have any further questions, please contact me at school via adminoffice@heckgrammar.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,



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