



Bishop Vesey's Grammar School

'Inspiration and Excellence'

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14th March 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am delighted to announce that Bishop Vesey's Grammar School is running a ski trip to **Canada** in association with Halsbury Travel during **February half term 2019** (14th-21st February inclusive) The trip will be to region of **Quebec** in the east of the country and the resort is called **Mont Sainte Anne**.

Due to popular demand of last year's trip, we will NOT be selecting students on a first-come first-served basis.

There are 22 places available to students currently in Year 7 and 23 places available to students currently in Year 8. If the 22 places for a particular year group are unfilled we will allocate those places to the other year group.

We will pick the 22/23 students at random from each year group and notify the students and parents accordingly.

If you are interested in your son joining us on the trip and in order to secure the opportunity of being selected from the pool, we need the attached signed reply slip and a cheque for **£220** made payable to BVGS returned by **Monday 16th April 2018** (the first Monday back after Easter). Payments can be made via Parent Pay for the remainder of the instalments once your son has secured a place. All reply slips and payments should be sent into Mrs Foster in the school club office next to the staff room.

If your son is unsuccessful at securing a place on the trip, we will refund the £220 to you. If your son does secure a place then the £220 deposit will become non-refundable unless another student can take his place.

The price for the 8-day ski trip is: £1720. What is included in this price?

- 6 nights full board accommodation in a 4* Hotel
- All flights and coach transfers
- 5 day ski, boot and helmet hire
- Entrance into Valcartier Winter Park
- Sugar shack experience on the slopes
- Visit to Quebec City
- 5 day lift pass
- 25 hours of ski lessons
- Après ski programme in the resort
- BVGS Personalised Ski Trip Hoody

This trip was very successful in 2018 for a number of reasons. As it was a smaller resort we had some excellent ski instructors passionate about teaching and lessons frequently started early and over ran providing us even more time on the slopes. The quality of the accommodation and the food were superb and the games room, table tennis, and pool tables were well used, as too were the swimming pool and the outdoor heated pools.

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The trip will allow the boys to speak some French in Quebec, although English is used throughout. We will be visiting the UNESCO world heritage site of Quebec City where the boys will explore the ancient walled city have the opportunity to ride a traditional toboggan run which has been in use since 1884. We will also be visiting an outdoor winter park which is a waterpark in the summer and the slides are carved into the snow. This was the highlight of the trip for many of the students (and staff!) as it's such a unique experience. We made a video of our last trip so feel free to give it a watch and see what your son could experience himself. The video and other insights into the ski trips are available on Twitter @BVGsSkitrip

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= QiLtTiwcsG>

I am aware that the trip is costly; however, we very much promote this as the trip of a lifetime and one whereby the boys all return with the new or improved skill of being able to ski.

Payment schedule if your son has a place is below for your own budgeting

Point in academic year	Date due by	Amount
Start of the Easter Term	Monday 16 th April	£220
Easter Half Term	Monday 21 st May	£250
Summer Half Term	Friday 8 th June	£250
End of school year	Monday 16 th July	£250
Start of 2018-19 academic year	Friday 7 th September	£250
October Half Term	Friday 9 th November	£250
Final Payment	Monday 3 rd December	£250

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information on 0121 250 5400. Or email i.bousfield@bishopveseys.bham.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,



I. Bousfield

My son _____ in form _____ would like to attend the Ski Trip to Canada in February 2019.

Signed _____ **Please return with £220 deposit on or before 16th April 2018**

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