

8th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

We are excited to announce the launch of our annual Snowsports trip for December 2025. We will be travelling with Interski again, a large well-established and experienced company with whom I have worked with for many years leading school trips. We will be based at Pila in the Aosta Valley, Italy at The Hotel Valdotain. Further information about the company and hotel can be found online at www.interski.co.uk.

The trip will take place at the end of the Christmas holiday departing on Saturday 27th December 2025 and returning on Saturday 3rd January 2026 (times to be confirmed).

The trip will be offered out to current Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students.

The cost is £1425 for skiers.

Snowboarding is available but subject to viable numbers and is £45 extra. If there are insufficient numbers, then the students will ski. We can also only take snowboarders who have been before, not beginners (unless there are 8 beginners who will have one instructor). Please complete the ParentMail form to let me know your preference.

The price includes travel by executive coach, accommodation, full board, lift pass, equipment hire (boots, skis, snowboard), insurance and 5 hours tuition per day for 5 days. It also includes evening activities and hot meal vouchers that can be used for breakfast at a motorway services on the first day (Sunday 28th December), lunches at the resort and breakfast on the ferry during our return trip home. A passport (with at least 3 months left at the time of travel) is required and an EHIC or GHIC card (available free from the NHS website).

An advantage of such a package is that students do not need to take much money with them at all. The ski trip I'm sure will again be popular among students, however, places are limited to 40 in the first instance.

As places are limited, the school will consider students who have excellent attendance and behaviour for learning as a priority. If you would like to book a place for your child please complete the form on ParentMail and submit with a non-refundable deposit of £250 by Friday 7th February. This will be paid

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as a deposit to the company and will not be refunded if your child drops out unless replaced by another student. Full balances must be paid by 26th September 2025 and may be paid in instalments or in one lump sum. To support in the planning of the trip we will monitor payments and expect £1200 to have been paid by 18th July 2025. If a student drops out of the trip, then monies paid to that point will be forfeited unless a replacement is found.

Anyone booking a place on the ski trip should be prepared to be flexible to comply with government rules surrounding travel. Although there is Snowsports insurance provided with a booking we would highly recommend that families read it carefully to understand the financial consequences of inability to travel. The full insurance document is here for you to check prior to booking. [Schools & Colleges Insurance Downloads | Interski](#)

Please note that there are multiple trips scheduled for this year. If your child is already registered for a trip, they cannot switch to a different one without the approval of the Party Leader and/or losing their deposit.

Students' behaviour and engagement in school throughout the year will be a consideration as to whether your child is a) accepted onto the enrichment trip b) keeps their place on the trip if already allocated. Failure to conform to Braunton Academy's behaviour expectations throughout the year may result in your child being withdrawn.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or require further information.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Craig