

Braunton Academy Snowsports Trip Saturday 13th February 2027 – Saturday 20th February 2027

Dear Parents/Carers

We are excited to announce the launch of our annual Snowsports trip for February 2027. We will be travelling with Interski again, a large well-established and experienced company. We will be based at La Thuile in the Aosta Valley, Italy at The Hotel Alpechiara. Further information about the company and hotel can be found online at www.interski.co.uk.

The trip will take place during the February half term departing on Saturday 13th February 2027 and returning on Saturday 20th February 2027 (times to be confirmed).

The trip will be offered out to current Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students. The cost is £1580 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 of 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 14th February), 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 £200 by Friday 6th February 2026. This will be paid 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 **2nd November 2026** 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 **£600 to have been paid by Monday 20th July and £1200 to have been paid by 7th September 2026**. If a student drops out of the trip, then monies paid to that point will be forfeited unless a replacement is found.

We never want cost to be a barrier preventing members of our school from our culture of belonging or from being able to take part in trips and events. However, as this trip takes place in non-school time, we are unfortunately unable to support families in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM). We can only provide funding support for eligible FSM students upon request and in line with our Charging and Remission Policy for trips that are 50% or more in school time.

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. [RPA membership rules for academy trusts](#) See Pages 87-108.

Please note that as this is a school trip, the school phone policy remains in place and therefore all smart phones are prohibited on this trip. Please also 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

Mr K Parkin