



# St Robert of Newminster Catholic School and Sixth Form College

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Dear Parent / Carers of Year 8 students

## St Robert of Newminster School Ski Trip 2024 – Italy

We are pleased to announce, that the school's annual ski trip will continue in 2024. We are going to Sestriere, Italy, 14<sup>th</sup> December – 21<sup>st</sup> December 2024. We have managed to secure a fantastic deal for students to undertake one of the most unforgettable experiences at one of the very best ski resorts around.

The cost of the trip is £1360. This price includes return flights from a local airport, full board accommodation, door to door skiing, 4 hours of ski tuition per day, lift passes, ski equipment hire, travel insurance and evening activities. Students are instructed each day by expert certified instructors with the opportunity to cover over 250km of skiing terrain! During the evenings, there are opportunities to relax and visit the local area.

Students do not need to have prior experience of skiing. Those who have not skied previously, will be offered 4 lessons at the Silksworth Ski Centre prior to the trip. This is at an additional cost.

**Places are open to current Year 8 students.** If you wish your child to be considered, please complete the reply slip no later than **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024**. If your child is successful in being offered a place, a non-refundable deposit of £160 will be required no later than Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and is to be paid via the Parent Pay system. The remaining £1200 will be paid in instalments. All payments are to be paid through the Parent Pay system. You can log into Parent Pay at [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) using your unique login and password. If you have any problems with Parent Pay, please contact our Finance Team at [finance@str.bwcet.com](mailto:finance@str.bwcet.com) for help. If anyone is unable to pay the full amount, please speak to your child's Head of House as you may be able to receive financial assistance and support. Any student in receipt of Pupil Premium allowance may have the trip partially funded.

The school reserves the right to remove any pupil from the activity at any time if the attitude and behaviour of that pupil does not come up to the high expectations of this school. We monitor student behaviour very closely and this may affect a student being permitted to participate in a certain trip, visit or work placement.

If the trip proves to be oversubscribed, then all accepted applications will be treated equally, and places will be allocated by means of random draw. If a student is not successful in the draw, then they can opt to go on the waiting list. If your child is successful in gaining a place, but then has to withdraw, any money paid can only be returned if this is due to exceptional circumstances or his / her place is filled by another student.



If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me via the school email account.

Yours sincerely



**Ms K Gittins**  
**PE Department**

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**PLEASE HAND IN TO STUDENT RECEPTION**

**SCHOOL SKI TRIP 2024 - ITALY**

**DUE BY 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024**

Student name: ..... Tutor Group: .....

Parent Signature: ..... Date: .....

