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Dear Parents/ Guardians,

A group of 2<sup>nd</sup> Year students have recently returned from a very enjoyable and successful ski tour in Bormio, Italy. We are now looking forward to organising another ski tour exclusively for 2<sup>nd</sup> Years during February Mid-Term Break 2026.

We have provisionally booked the group into the fantastic resort of Ponte di Legno, Italy. The ski tour caters for both beginners and advanced skiers. Please note that skiing is a demanding physical activity and this should be considered before signing up for the tour.

Any student who is deemed unsuitable or who has had a serious breach of discipline may not be accepted to travel and we recommend that he does not apply. Any student who has been accepted and who subsequently has a serious breach of school discipline may be withdrawn from the travelling party. This decision will be made in conjunction with his teachers, Year Head and school management.

The cost of the trip will be approximately **€1769** per person and includes:

- All bus transfers to and from the school and ski resort
- Return flights and bag carriage
- Half-board hotel accommodation (bed, breakfast and evening meal)
- Ski equipment rental (ski boots, skis, poles and helmet)
- Ski lift pass for 6 days
- Ski school (both morning and afternoon lessons)
- Full comprehensive winter sports travel insurance
- Après Ski activities

Please **fill out the form** by **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March** to register your son's interest in travelling on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Ski Tour in 2026. The tour company will email you next week with instructions for logging in to their online portal. They will request a **non-refundable deposit of €300** to secure your son's place on the tour. Please be prepared to pay the deposit around **18<sup>th</sup> March pending the opening of the portal**. I will send a notification on the app to confirm that the payment portal is open.

This has been a very successful and popular tour for 2<sup>nd</sup> Years to date and we anticipate that there will be a similarly large number of students interested in the ski tour in 2026. Due to the number restrictions on the tour, **places will be secured in order of the deposits being paid**. If there is any issue with paying the deposit around 18<sup>th</sup> March, please email me: **[mdm@naascbs.ie](mailto:mdm@naascbs.ie)**. If the number of interested students exceeds the group capacity, a waiting list will be compiled and it will be used in the event that somebody needs to vacate their place on the tour.

I understand that the deadline for payment is short but we are under pressure to secure the booking with the tour company. While February 2026 seems a long way off, early booking guarantees a good venue and also allows for staged payments throughout the year. We look forward to sharing the wonderful experience of skiing with the next group of 2<sup>nd</sup> Year students!

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Mairéad Murphy

(Group Leader for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Ski Tour)