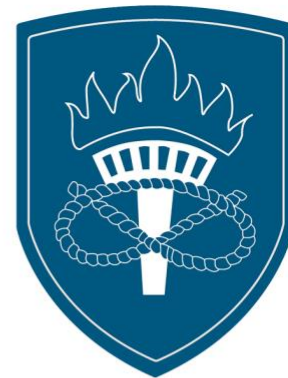


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15th March 2022



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New Hampshire, USA Ski Trip
17th February – 25th February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted to inform you of spaces that have become available on a Ski Trip to Loon and Cannon, New Hampshire, USA. The trip will be departing on Friday 17th February 2023 and returning on Friday 24th February, arriving back at school on Saturday 25th February 2023. This trip will take place during the February half term holidays. Loon and Cannon are known to be two of USA's premier ski resorts with superb instructors and breath-taking scenery.

The total cost of the trip is £1535 and includes:

- Return flights and transfer to London Heathrow Airport
- 4 hours per day ski tuition with a fully qualified instructor
- All ski equipment and lift passes. Pupils will need to provide their own ski clothing
- 6 nights half board accommodation in a 4* hotel
- 1 night stopover in New York City
- Evening entertainment with activities such as disco night, pizza night and karaoke
- Fully comprehensive winter sports travel insurance

This does not include the cost of lunches or personal ski wear (coats/trousers/gloves etc) as well as any additional spending money your child wishes to have.

Pupils will need an ESTA in order to travel to the USA. The cost of this is \$14. It will be the parents' responsibility to organise this closer to the departure date. We will explain how to complete the application in a parents' information evening.

At present, Covid 19 restrictions for entering USA are

Before boarding a flight to the USA, most passengers - regardless of vaccination status - are required to show a negative COVID-19 test result taken no more than 1 day before travel. All air passengers to the USA are also required to provide contact information to their airlines before boarding. You should check with your airline before you travel for more details. Full requirements for pre-travel testing can be found on the [CDC website](https://www.cdc.gov). Children under 2 years old do not need to test.

Upon arrival, fully vaccinated travellers:

- do not have to quarantine
- are recommended to take a viral test within 3 to 5 days of arrival in the US.

The cost of Covid 19 related necessities for travel are not part of the cost of the trip. Parents/carers would need to pay for this as an additional cost.

How to secure a place:

The spaces that have become available on this trip are available to pupils currently in Year 7. Place allocation will be on a first come, first served basis and there are limited places available. Pupils' behaviour and attendance records will also be taken into consideration. The trip is anticipated to be very popular. The final decision of place allocation will be made by Leadership.



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Payment schedule:

1st payment Non-refundable deposit £200 Pay on Wisepay.	Bring slip from letter and Wisepay receipt to Mrs Hill by 24th March 2022.	To secure your child's place. This is a commitment to the trip and is not refundable.
2nd payment of £400	Pay on Wisepay by April 28th 2022	Failure to make these payments will result in your child being removed from the trip.
3rd and final payment of £935	Pay on Wisepay by June 28th 2022	

Payment of the deposit is not a guarantee of a place, as the places are allocated on a first come, first serve basis. **You will be informed should your child be successful in securing a place on the trip.** If your child has not been successful, the money will be refunded on Wisepay.

For those that are successful in securing a place, a parents' information evening will be held early January 2023.

We appreciate the quick turnaround for the payments of the trip, however the spaces for the trip have only recently become available. We wanted to be able to offer this opportunity to all pupils so we have decided to open it to Year 7.

Pupils will need to bring their wisepay receipts and signed reply slip to Mrs Hill as soon as possible and by 24th March at the latest if they wish to come on the trip. The deposit is not refundable and so if you pay this and then change your mind, money will be lost.

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Hill at postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely



Ms L Draycott
Headteacher

Ski Trip – New Hampshire, USA - February 2023

Pupil Name: _____ Form: _____

- I give permission for my child to attend the ski trip to USA in February 2023.
- I have paid the non-refundable deposit of £200 via my Wisepay account and the receipt is attached.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

