

JWI/TDY

27 March 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

Thank you for returning the reply slip and deposit payment for the ski trip to Aprica in 2019. I am writing to confirm receipt of your payment and the allocation of a place on the trip for your son/daughter.

**Overview:**

Departure - departure from lunch, time tbc by the Tour Operator - Friday 15 February 2019  
Returning - afternoon of Saturday 23 February 2019  
Destination - Aprica, Lombardy, Italy.

The cost of the trip is **£900**. I have outlined a payment schedule below which aims to spread the cost of the trip over the coming months and allows the school to meet the payment deadlines set out by the Tour Operator. I would request that you follow this schedule as far as possible and by the dates below, although, if you prefer to make payments prior to these deadlines you are welcome to do so.

Deposit letter provided on receipt		£150
Payment 2	prior to Friday 27 April 2018	£100
Payment 3	prior to Friday 25 May 2018	£100
<b>Payment 4</b>	<b>prior to Friday 29 June 2018*</b>	<b>£100 - *50% of the cost to be paid by this date</b>
Payment 5	prior to Friday 27 July 2018	£150
Payment 6	prior to Friday 28 September 2018	£100
Payment 7	prior to Friday 26 November 2018	£100
Payment 8	prior to Friday 21 December 2018	£100

**Important** – In previous years the school has received penalty charges for families who have initially joined the trip, not followed the payment schedule and subsequently chosen not travel, leaving the school in significant debt to the tour operator. We cannot afford for this to happen, therefore, I have put a key payment threshold in the schedule marked above. This is for the half the cost of the trip **to be paid by Friday 29 June**. I am requesting that all families please meet this mid-point deadline on the understanding that if this does not happen we will need to review your son/daughter's place on the trip.

If at all possible I would request that future payments are made through the school's 'Parent pay' system. You will have been sent your login details and instructions previously and can access the system through the school website or via [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). If you are unable to pay through this system, payments can be made by cash or cheque at the school's Finance Office. Such payments should be enclosed in an envelope marked Ski Trip – Aprica 2019, with your son/daughter's name and form written clearly beneath. Cheques are payable to Northampton School *for Boys*. Please also write your student name and form on the reverse of the cheque together with 'Ski Trip – Aprica 2019'.

In early November there will be a Parents' Evening and more specific information will follow at that time. You will also be given information at that evening of 2 hour taster sessions we are able to offer at the MK Snowdome for beginners as an optional extra. These lessons are priced individually, above and beyond the cost of the trip. That experience is purely optional and more information will follow later this year for those interested.

If you require any additional information in the interim period, please feel free to contact me at the school on 01604 230240.

Yours faithfully



Mr J Wilcock  
Ski Trip Leader – Aprica 2019