



26th September 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Apologies for the lack of communication regarding the ski trip - we have had some concerns that the trip may not have been able to go ahead due to a lack of numbers. The cost of the coach transport is a fixed cost and is split across the participants and due to only 28 pupils having signed up, this would mean that there would be insufficient funds to cover this cost. However, after discussing this issue with the travel company, we have come up with a solution which will enable the trip to go ahead without any additional costs to you.

We propose to cut the trip by one day – still leaving on Friday 7th April but returning on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April instead of the Saturday. The amount of skiing will remain the same as we will simply increase the time on the slopes each day so that the pupils are not losing out on any skiing instruction.

We will also only visit Pembrey once, in order to reduce expenditure in this area.

In addition, we will hold some fundraising activities to cover the cost of the evening activities.

We hope that you happy with these amended arrangements as the only alternative to canceling would be to ask for an extra payment which we did not wish to do.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We will be in touch shortly to confirm the arrangements for the lessons at Pembrey, and can we also remind you that the remaining balances of the £835 payment needs to made by February half term.

Many thanks,

**Ebba Mannion, Kathleen Lawlor, David Morgan and Yvonne O'Sullivan**