



BISP Ski Trip 2018

Dear Parents,

I am happy to announce that we will be running a Swiss Ski trip in 2018. Ms Garwood from Secondary Maths will be accompanying us and possibly another member of staff depending on numbers. The school has a long established relationship with Les Elfes and I look forward to bringing their excellent services to the students at BISP. They have a full programme of exciting things to do as well as ski some of the best mountains in the world. We had a European trip 3 years ago to Italy and it was very successful. We loved Japan for a skiing destination but want to give students the chance to experience some European culture and ski experience .

So, from the 5th April – 14th April 2018, students from Years 6 to 12 will have the opportunity to attend the BISP Ski Trip 2018 visiting the resort of Verbier, Switzerland. Full details of the experience will be explained at the parent and student meeting. As usual, I like to extend the cultural experience and learn a little more about the country and main cities of Zurich and Geneva.

So, we are planning a 2 night stay in Zurich upon arrival, staying very central to the main attractions in order to appreciate the cultural opportunity this presents. I have found great accommodation for a rest night on the Thursday 5th or 6th depending on flight arrival times, to help cope with jet lag. Then we have a full day in Zurich, including a town walk, 3 local meals, visit to the famous lake and shopping areas. I think this is a very exciting package: 9 nights, all inclusive equipment. You only need to bring your personal items and ski jacket and pants. (these can be hired too). I have managed to keep the price the same for the last 3 years the cost will be approx 100-105k THB. Remarkably, this trip also has a mid week excursion to tour Geneva, included in the price, where there will be time for sightseeing and shopping. (as well as resting tired ski muscles!) This really is a comprehensive package and a wonderful opportunity for your child or children. Please book early to secure a place!

The cost includes:

Return flights

Transfer Zurich – Verbier – Zurich

- A 2 night stay in a Swiss Youth Hostel with excellent location, meals and facilities
- Accommodation in 4-bedded rooms with ensuite bath room 7 nights
- Full-board 7 days with 4 meals per day (breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner)

- 6 days ski pass
- 5 days ski lessons in the mornings and ski guiding in the afternoons
- Rental of ski equipment (ski, poles, ski shoes, **helmet**) 6 days
- **1 excursion in the middle of the week to a city in Switzerland of cultural interest**
- Après-ski activities from 16.30 – 18.30
- Evening activities from 20.00 – 22.00
- **Swiss Medical Health insurance against illness and accidents**
- Daily cleaning of the rooms
- Taxes and services, bedlinen and towels
- Free use of our games room
- Free entrance to Sports Centre (swimming-pool, ice skating)
- Program ends with ski competition, BBQ on the slopes and prize giving
- Taxes and services

Places are very limited for this trip, so parents are encouraged to return the attached permission slip and deposit as soon as possible (payment details below).

Please note the cost of a Swiss visa Shengen (if required) is **not** included. It is a tricky process to obtain a Visa and requires a parent visit to the Embassy in Bangkok. Les Elfes and the school will provide you with as much documentation as needed by the Embassy but please be aware of this process. In the unlikely event of not obtaining a Visa, either by Embassy refusal or you cannot fulfil the requirements you risk losing part of the deposit, depending on how late on this occurs. If I purchase the flights and the airline will not refund you would lose the cost of the flight.

Payment Plan

To reserve your place on this trip, please complete the permission form and return to the school finance office, along with your deposit of THB 50,000 as soon as possible, but no later than 22nd September 2017. Please note that the deposit payment is non-refundable, as this is used to secure your child's place and flights on the trip. We have 20 places on next year's trip that will be allocated once students have paid their deposit payment. Parents may choose to pay in instalments (see below) or in full, by cash/Bank Transfer into the BISP finance office.

Important: Please supply the receipt for your deposit to accounting dep (accounts@bisphuket.ac.th)AND Mr Donovan,(adonovan@bis..) and mark it ski swiss 18, to ensure we have your deposit. (by email or photocopy)
Thank you!

Deposit Payment 1 , Payment 2: Payment 3:

Payment: THB 50,000 THB 30,000 THB 20,000 (balance approx)



Due Date: 50,000 Deposit ASAP, 30,000 by December 1st, February 28th 2018 balance

Kind regards,
Mr Anthony Donovan
(AEN Teacher and BISP Ski Trip Leader)
adonovan@bisphuket.ac.th

PLEASE SEE PERMISSION FORM BELOW

COMPLETE AND RETURN EMAIL OR PAPER THANK YOU.

Itinerary

	08:00 HKT	12h 35 Direct	→	15:35 ZRH
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	11:55 ZRH	11h 05 Direct	→	04:00 ⁽⁺¹⁾ HKT
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Departure, Phuket Airport:

Thursday 5th April : Arrive Zurich, travel to Youth Hostel by Tram. Dinner. Evening lake walk.

Friday 6th April breakfast YH, day sightseeing/shopping Zurich, Dinner YH. Evening activity.

Saturday 7th April Travel to Verbier.....full weeks ski and tour package.

Saturday 14th April Leave Zurich on route to Phuket

Sunday 15th April Meet 5am HKT or 5.30 BISP Boarding car park.

PERMISSION FORM

BISP Ski Trip 5th April – 14th April 2018

To reserve your child’s place on the Ski Trip 2018, please complete and return this permission form along with the deposit of THB 50,000 to be paid in cash to the Finance office on the ground floor at BISP, or by Bank Transfer please find attached Bank Transfer payment details (If payment is made by bank transfer please mention “Childs name- BISP SKI Swiss” on payment details).

Student’s Name:Class:.....D.O.B:
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Boy’s Sizes: Girls sizes:(Euro ie 42).....

Kit Size (*Please circle appropriate size):

*9-10 Years *11-12 Years *13-14 Years *9-10 Years *11-12 Years *13-14 Years*15-17 Years, Adult.
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Medical/Dietary Requirements:

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Parent Contact Details:

Name: Telephone:
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Email(s)...../
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Parent Signature

Date.....