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Dear Parents,

We are writing to you with some final information regarding our forthcoming ski trip.

Flight Details

PLEASE NOTE These flights are confirmed now. In the unlikely event that the flights change, I will contact you via text message.

Flight times

08 April 2017 13:30 Terminal 2 (MAN) to (TRN) – Turin ZB3464
15 April 2017 17:50 (TRN) to (MAN) ZB3465

The coach will pick the children up from Avalon School at 8am so we are asking parents to arrive at school for **no later than 7.30am.** If any parent wants to take their child directly to the airport, please let us know as soon as possible.

Airport and food

- Please make sure that your child has had some breakfast prior to arrival or bring something suitable with them. Remember that liquids cannot be taken through security and must be purchased afterwards.
- Lunch is not provided by the airline so children will have 2 options. You may send them with sufficient food in the form of a packed lunch to see them through until about 6pm when we arrive in resort. Otherwise, you may choose to send them with some money so that they may purchase some lunch in the airport at the wide variety of outlets available. Remember, you cannot send liquids.
- Snacks, in terms of cereal bars etc. are ideal for the plane, but please don't send sweets or chocolates as they can increase the likelihood of travel sickness.
- If you have children who you know get travel sick and they are taking medication prior to the arrival at school, please let Mrs Brew know on your arrival. Furthermore, if they need to take it prior to the return journey, please supply the medication with instructions to Mrs Brew. We will make sure that they drink plenty of water before and during the journey.
- It is absolutely fine to bring handheld games and iPods etc for the journey but remember that, although we will help them look after them, they are the children's responsibility. If any child is bringing an iPhone to use as an iPod, it must have the SIM card removed. Flight mode is insufficient. Any films which are preloaded onto iPods or iPads, must be certificate "U" if they are to be watched by children on the trip.
- We are scheduled to arrive in resort around 6pm on Saturday 8 April although this may be earlier or slightly later. If, during the Easter break, there are any changes to the timings



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from leaving Avalon or on our return from Turin, we will contact parents individually by text message.

- In terms of travel clothing, ski coats should go in their hold luggage and children will wear their hoodies. If children are bringing their own helmets, they must be packed in their "hold" baggage. It is usually a good idea to stuff the helmets with socks as that helps with packing space. On the last night, we sometimes have a disco / party so if the children would like to bring some smarter clothes for the last night then they may.
- Please think carefully about footwear. Snow boots are excellent for walking around resort but if children don't have them, a sturdy pair of walking trainers or boots would also be good. In 2015, the weather was excellent and children walked around resort in trainers but please be prepared for all conditions. Some children like to wear slippers or trainers in the hotel but it does have a tendency to get very warm in the hotel so some children in the past have been very comfortable in crocs or flip flops.
- Helmets, for those children who are not bringing their own, will be available free of charge in resort.
- Please send your child with a small travel clock (set to French time GMT +1) to help them with their organisation, and a wrist watch, also to GMT +1. Please take into account the BST change on Sunday, March 26.
- We have the opportunity to watch DVD's in the hotel on one night so if your child has one that they'd like to bring (must be a U certificate), then they can do so.
- If your child takes medication, please give it to Mrs Brew preferably before we break up or at Avalon clearly named with dispensing instructions. Please do not put medication of any kind in the children's bags. If in doubt, please give it to Mrs Brew at school.
- Children should bring their own high factor suncream. Staff cannot apply this for the children and it is imperative, therefore, that children are shown how to do this during packing. Lip salve and sunblock for lips are also a great idea.
- It is a good idea, if possible, to send children with ski goggles and sunglasses as the weather may dictate a change of eyewear. If this is not possible, goggles will be sufficient.
- Technology permitting, we will endeavour to update our website daily with trip news, while we are away.
- Children are not provided with towels in resort and should therefore be sent with their own.

Luggage restrictions – important

- Please note these are the current restrictions and are, again, subject to change.
- The children's hold limit is 20kg however, your children will not be able to carry that amount of weight so please pack sensibly!
- It is best if the children pack their helmets in their cases.
- The "carry on" baggage must not weigh more than 5kg.



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- **The children cannot carry any liquid in their “carry on” baggage.**
- Most liquids of any amount may still be carried in “hold” baggage.

If under 100ml and in a transparent re-sealable plastic bag, passengers are permitted to take liquids, gels and pastes through security separately from their hand baggage.

The bag must be one litre, which is around half the size of a standard A4 piece of paper and it must be sealable.

What is a liquid?

- Water and other drinks, soups, syrups.
- Pastes, including toothpaste.
- Creams, lotions and oils, including lip balm and moisturiser
- Perfumes.
- Make-up, including lipsticks and mascaras
- Sprays, including sun-tan lotion
- Inhalers
- Gels, including hair and shower gels
- Contents of pressurised containers, including: shaving foam, other foams and deodorants
- Liquid-solid mixtures
- Any other item of a similar consistency

Please note - if you wish to bring your own containers to hold 100ml or less, the container must have printed on it the measurement that the container can hold. Travel sets of containers that do not have measurements on them will not be allowed through security. Handwritten measurements or stickers are also not acceptable.

Finally, I look forward to seeing you all bright and early on the 8th April.

Regards,

Mr Ashton, Mrs Brew and Miss Tweed