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9th November 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: ESTA Form and Kit list for the Skiing Trip – Jay Peak, USA 2018

Everyone from the UK going to the USA by air or sea, even those just passing through, must fill out an Electronic System for Travel Authorisation (ESTA) form in advance. Please apply for this as soon as possible as this information needs to be with the travel company by December.

To apply for an ESTA please go to the Official Website of the Department of Homeland Security, <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/esta.html>. The cost for this is \$14 and lasts for 2 years.

The ESTA is a 6 step process that is quite straight forward. However, additional information you require is the first address where we are staying.

The full address of our New York hotel for the first night is:

Quality Inn and Suites - Fishkill,
849 NY-52, Fishkill, NY 12524

Below is a 'screen shot' of where and how to enter this information.

Please complete the ESTA and populate the data sheet enclosed. This must be returned along with a printout of your ESTA to me or Mrs N. Jones before **Friday 24th November**.

Click the? For further information if needed

The screenshot shows the ESTA application form with several callout boxes pointing to specific fields:

- Name*:** QUALITY INN AND SUITES
- Address Line 1*:** 894 NY-52
- City*:** FISHKILL
- State*:** NEW YORK (selected from a drop-down menu)
- Phone Number*:** 0000000000
- U.S. POINT OF CONTACT INFORMATION:** A red error message states "US Point of Contact contains invalid characters." The Name field contains "QUALITY INN and|SUITES".
- ADDRESS WHILE IN THE U.S.:** Address Line 1: 849 NY-52; City: FISHKILL; State: NEW YORK.
- Checkboxes:** A checkbox labeled "SAME AS U.S. POINT OF CONTACT INFO ABOVE" is checked.

Name*
QUALITY INN AND SUITES

Address Line 1*
894 NY-52

Select the State
from Drop Down
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State*
New York

City*
FISHKILL

Phone Number*
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Click to
a tick

Please find below a kit list of essential items for the trip. It is important that all pupils going on the trip have a complete kit.

Basic Essential Kit List for Skiing.

- Jacket & Salopettes or one-piece suit
- Waterproof gloves
- 2 or more pairs of ski socks
- Sun block + lip salve
- Goggles / sunglasses
- Lightweight, T shirts,
- 2 polo necks or similar
- Hat
- Sturdy walking boots or trainers with a good ridged sole

Other kit needed

- Change of clothes for evening entertainments
- Swimming kit
- Towel
- Toiletries
- Medication (if any)

As this holiday may be a one off for some pupils hiring clothing may be a good option, for this I have secured the services of AC sports of Wigan, who offer very competitive rates and don't try to sell items that are not required. A representative from the company will be present at the parent/carer information evening. You will be able to hire or purchase equipment on the night or visit the shop and see what they have to offer. Any financial business will be between parents and AC sports and not the school.

Dates for the parent/carer information evening will be given shortly. This will give me the opportunity to inform you of further details for the trip and give you the chance to ask any questions.

In the meantime here are some more details for the trip.

Outbound:

24/03/2018 Manchester to JFK, 09:35 – 12:55, Flight Number MT2848

Return:

31/03/2018 JFK to Manchester, 22:00 – 09:55 (landing on 01/04/18), Flight number MT 2849

Flights are with Thomas Cook Airlines.

Ski resort:

Stateside Hotel and Baselodge, Jay Peak, Vermont.

Yours sincerely

S. Jones
(Alpine Ski Course Leader).