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Dear parents and carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. As part of our preparations for the upcoming school ski trip to Italy, we need to ensure that all students are adequately covered for any medical needs that may arise during the trip. To this end, we require all participating pupils to have a valid **European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)** or **UK Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC)**.



The EHIC/GHIC card provides access to state-provided healthcare in European countries at a reduced cost or sometimes for free, making it an essential part of travel preparation within Europe.

### **If Your Child Already Has an EHIC Card:**

Please check that the card is valid and doesn't expire before or during the trip. Please provide a copy of the card details to the school. You can either send a photocopy of the card with your child, or alternatively, you can hand the card into the office and they will photocopy it for you.

### **If Your Child Does Not Have an EHIC Card:**

Since Brexit, newly issued EHIC have been replaced with GHIC. Non-UK citizens who are residents in the UK can still apply for a GHIC. If your child does not yet have an card, you can apply for a GHIC online, and the process is straightforward and free of charge. Please visit the official NHS website at :-

[www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/to-apply](http://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/to-apply).

Please do not use any other website apart from the official NHS website as others can wrongly include a fee. After receiving the card, kindly ensure that you submit a copy of it to the school office.

### **Please note that having an EHIC/GHIC card is a mandatory requirement for this trip.**

We appreciate your attention to this matter to ensure that all students are fully prepared for the trip. If you have any questions or require further assistance with the application process, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at [gw15jackdavid@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw15jackdavid@glow.sch.uk).

A direct link on how to apply is also included on the trip website.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/gc/skipss/>

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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