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Dear Parents/Guardians

A Level Geography and Science joint Fieldtrip to Iceland – April 2023

We would like to offer students the opportunity to participate in a fieldtrip to Iceland during the Easter break, Thursday 13 April-Sunday 16 April 2023. The purpose behind the trip is to see the geographical landforms from a scientific perspective in a new and inspiring environment. Whilst it is not an essential part of the A Level Geography, Chemistry, Physics or Biology specification, there will be real world applications embedded throughout the trip. The aim of the trip is to allow students to broaden their experiences of different cultures, landscapes and scientific phenomenon.

Preliminary research suggests that the 4 day/3 night trip would cost in the region of £925 based on a group size of 80. The final price will be dependent upon the final group size but we would not envisage a significant change in the price.

The price would include:

- UK coach transfers to/from Manchester Airport
- Flights to and from Iceland
- Full board in en-suite accommodation
- Northern lights tour (repeated each evening for duration of the stay if not experienced on first visit)
- Golden circle tour
- Blue Lagoon (including towel hire)
- South shore with glacier hike
- Insurance

If you would like your child to join the visit, please register your interest on ParentPay.

Places will not be allocated on a first come first served basis; in the event of being oversubscribed, Year 13 will take priority and a draw will be conducted to allocate remaining places to Year 12.

Please complete this google form to register your child's interest in this trip by Sunday 11 September 2022.

<https://forms.gle/QYQ5gKdRaryCEXTe8>

A deposit amount of £250 will be required from successful students by Wednesday 14 September to secure a place.



The following payment plan:

Deposit 1 - £250 (14 September 2022)
Deposit 2 - £200 (20 October 2022)
Payment 3 - £150 (18 November 2022)
Payment 4 - £150 (16 December 2022)
Final Payment - £175 (16 January 2023)

Please be aware that the **first deposit is non-refundable** as the travel company imposes charges for cancellations.

The trip has full Covid-19 cancellation cover – if passengers test positive for Covid-19 or have come into contact with someone who has tested positive for the virus.

In order for your son/daughter to participate, your consent is required and this must be given in ParentPay by ticking the **consent box**. By giving your consent you will:

1. Ensure that your child brings any medication needed
2. Authorise the organiser to act on your behalf in an emergency and to sign on your behalf any consent forms required by medical authorities
3. Understand and accept that your child may be withdrawn from the visit if his/her behaviour in school prior to the visit is unacceptable.
4. Understand and accept that should your child be sent home as a result of unacceptable behaviour you will reimburse any reasonable additional costs incurred by the school.

We are delighted to be offering this trip and we are confident this trip will provide an enriching learning experience and help create wonderful memories for our students.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Cooper
Deputy Curriculum Lead for Science