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Dear Parent/Guardian

Iceland, 2019



Thank you for your continued support of the Year 12/13 Geography enrichment visit to Iceland. I know all the students are excited about the trip and looking forward to exploring such an amazing country.

The final details of the visit have been confirmed by the travel company. I have outlined some key information to enable you and your child to prepare for the trip.

Arrival at school: please can you ensure that your child is at school by **01.45 on Wednesday morning, 10th April** to ensure a prompt departure. This will allow time to add luggage labels and check the weight of the suitcases.

Food/meals: for the journey on Wednesday you are required to either provide packed food or money to buy food. I would advise that they have a snack for the morning due to the early departure and a packed lunch (no liquids). There will be some opportunities to purchase food at the airport, but this is often expensive.

On arrival on Wednesday they will need to buy a lunch in Iceland (approx. £10.00).

All other meals will be provided including a packed breakfast and lunch on the day of return due to the early departure time.

Student banking: if you require us to look after any money for your child during the trip, please could you send the cash into school by Tuesday 9th April in a labelled, sealed envelope. I would advise you change money early as it can take some time for Icelandic Krona to arrive. A suggested amount is £70.00 (this includes a small payment into the local swimming pool and spending money).

Please ensure that they also have some cash for the journey in Esterling.

Luggage: students will need to have secure luggage that is clearly labelled with their name. **The luggage allowance is 15kg – please note.** They are only allowed one piece of hold luggage.

Hand luggage allowance - maximum size 56x45x25cm. Again only one piece of hand luggage is allowed. This should be a day bag that they can put over both shoulders for excursions around Iceland.

For the first day they will need to pack swim wear and a towel, as we will go to the Secret Lagoon before we go to the hotel and unpack cases.

Students are advised not to bring liquids for the flight, unless they are medication and are clearly labelled. No sharp objects in hand luggage (e.g. razors, nail clippers, nail files, tweezers), no aerosols, nothing magnetic, any lighters or matches.

Students may be requested to show their mobile phones and show how they are used when going through security.

Please can students ensure that any valuables are kept in hand luggage (travel documents, jewellery, keys, electronic equipment).

Medical and toiletries are allowed in small quantities in hand luggage and should be in a clear, plastic bag.

Please can students remove any old flight labels from luggage before the trip.

Refillable water bottle: this could be useful and cheaper than buying drinks while in Iceland.

Clothing: Please ensure that your child has suitable clothing. Comfortable, strong walking shoes, a waterproof jacket, and clothing that will be suitable for cold and wet weather, plenty of warm layers and hats and gloves.

Please ensure your child brings at least one towel on the visit as we will be going to the local swimming pool on a number of occasions and visiting both the Secret and Blue Lagoon.

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Safety: Can you remind your son/daughter about good behaviour and taking responsibility for their actions. They will be in small groups but they must be sensible and mature at all times.

Valuables: I am aware that students will bring a variety of electronic devices. The students are responsible for their own valuables during the visit.

Travel plug adaptors: (World wide adaptor would be the best) useful if your child has a hair drier, straighteners, phone charger etc.

Flight details:

Wednesday 10th April
Manchester Airport- Keflavik Airport (Iceland) Depart 06.30 Flight EZY1805

Sunday 14th April
Keflavik Airport (Iceland)- Manchester Airport Depart 09.15 Flight EZY1806

Emergency contact numbers, only to be used in the case of an emergency;

School hours: 01765 602 647

Out of school hours: - Mrs Keelan-Edwards: +44 7788233835

Tour Operator: Rayburn Tours
Tour Reference: EGF19338

PASSPORTS: Please can you ensure your son or daughter has brought their passport into school before Friday 5th April (these will be kept secure in the school safe until departure).

Return – Sunday, 14 April – Collection of students:

Please could you be at school on Sunday 14th April at 4.00 pm to collect your child. Should we be delayed we will inform the students so that they can contact you to give you an approximate time of arrival.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

H Keelan-Edwards

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