



Ripon Grammar School

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Dear Parent/Guardian



Iceland, 2024

I am writing to inform you of an exciting trip to Iceland for Lower Sixth and Upper Sixth Geography students which will take place in March 2024. The trip is planned to take place at the end of the spring term going into the Easter holiday period, leaving on Wednesday 20th March 2024 and returning on Sunday 24th March (subject to flight alterations). We will be traveling with the specialist education tour company Rayburn Tours.

This trip has been offered at Ripon Grammar School before with great success and therefore we have decided to reinstate this once in a life time trip for A Level Geography students. This really is an excellent chance to experience the impact of tectonic activity on the landscape and how alternative energy can be used sustainably. We will visit the major geographical landforms of Eyjafjallajokull volcano (responsible for the 2010 eruption affecting Europe) The Blue Lagoon, Reykjavik, Gulfoss and Skogafoss, Thingvellir National Park and Vik Beach.

The accommodation will be a hotel with multi-bedded, en-suite rooms for the students. All food is provided including breakfast and evening meal within the Hotel and packed lunches for excursions. The hotel is near Reykjavik.

The cost of the trip for 2024 is approximately £1450.00. If you wish your son/daughter to take part in this excellent opportunity which will enrich their learning and give them long lasting memories then we request a non refundable deposit of £300.00 by Friday 14th July. Our preferred method of payment for this trip is via ParentPay. Places are limited so will be allocated on a 'first come -first serve' basis.

Future payments will be requested in December, January/February and March and reminder letters will be sent out (or you may choose to pay in one installment). Please note that unless we can find a replacement, deposits and subsequent payments will not be refundable if a pupil chooses to withdraw from this trip, as we have to make staged payments to the Tour Operator.

Please do not hesitate to contact me (wainwrightr@ripongrammar.co.uk) with any enquiries about the trip.

Yours faithfully,

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Head of Geography and Trip Organiser



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