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Dear Parent/Carer

Geography Trip to Iceland: 9th February – 12th February 2018

As a department we are pleased to be able to offer Geography students in Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 (academic year 2017-18), the exciting opportunity to visit Iceland. Students will have to be attending Edgbarrow School at the time of the trip.

I would like to highlight three key points at this early stage to help you decide whether or not to consider allowing your son / daughter to go on this trip.

The first point to make is that the cost for the 4 day / 3 night trip will be approximately £1000 depending on the number of students who come along. We will know the final cost once we know the final numbers in late March. This does include travel, board and all meals on each day. It also includes all entry costs, guides, tips and public transport, as well as coach transfers to and from Heathrow airport.

In order to cover the costs incurred for the visit including transport and admission costs, the school would ask for a voluntary contribution of approximately £1000. Students will also need their own personal spending money. We are very keen to support all pupil participation in school visits and do not wish for any pupil to be disadvantaged due to financial hardship. Should you have any concerns or queries regarding the voluntary payment for this trip, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Pyke, Business Manager, who will be happy to help you. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence. As you will understand without the appropriate financial contributions the visit may not be able to take place.

Secondly, in order to keep the cost as low as possible we must get a minimum of 20 students on the trip. If we are unable to reach this number then unfortunately the trip may not be able to run. I want to emphasise this, to avoid any unnecessary disappointment.



Thirdly, flight prices can change and so to secure our flight and the price that the tour company have been quoted by the airline, the deposit that you will be asked to pay immediately is £75. This means that if you decide to go on this trip then a non-refundable deposit of **£75 will be required by Wednesday 29th March, we would ask that this be paid by cheque or cash in this instance.** Further payment details will then be sent out to you after we have final numbers.

Although attendance is not essential this educational visit will be a valuable experience for all who attend. It will provide a real insight into the Geography of a fascinating location the topic of which is studied in depth at A Level. The trip will include:

- A professional local guide or Teacher Tour leader
- Entry to the Blue Lagoon hot springs
- A Glacier Walk
- Visit to the Ljosafoss Hydro electric Power station
- A chance to see the Northern Lights
- See the famous Geysir which will erupt boiling water up to 70 metres in to the air.

If you have any questions regarding the trip then please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Russell-Smith
Head of Geography Department



DEPOSIT PAYMENT SLIP – Geography Trip to Iceland:

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Please return to Mr Russell-Smith, Geography Department

Name of student Tutor group

I do wish my son/daughter to attend this trip and enclose a non-returnable deposit of £75.

Payment made online*

Cash

Cheque

Use credit from previous trip refunded online

Signed Date
(Parent/Carer)

Cheques should be made payable to Edgbarrow School with “*Iceland Geography Trip*” and your child’s name written on the reverse

*Please do not return this reply slip until payment has been made online