

October 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian

GEOGRAPHY/GEOLOGY TRIP TO ICELAND 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017



I am writing to inform you of an exciting trip on offer to Iceland for Year 12 Geography and Geology students which will take place in July 2017. The trip is planned for the period after the AS exams during the Sixth Form enrichment period leaving on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July and returning on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017. We will travel with the specialist education tour company Discover the World Education.

We have run this trip for a number of years and have had excellent feedback from students and parents. This really is a superb chance to experience one of the most tectonically active environments on earth. We will visit major geographical and geological landforms such as, active volcanoes, geysers, geothermal hot springs, (which we can bathe in) waterfalls and glaciers. The trip is very much based outdoors so students need to be prepared to enjoy the opportunity regardless of the weather. They need to be well-prepared with outdoor clothing such as walking shoes and good waterproofs (top and trousers). On one of the days a 2-3 hour hike through the valleys of a unique volcanic region is planned, which includes walking through the rocky and uneven terrain of a solidified lava field. The trip will also include horse riding. All excursions will be included in the price of the trip. To reduce travelling, the trip involves staying at three different hotels. All meals are provided including breakfast and evening meal within the Hotel and packed lunches for excursions.

The cost of the trip for 2017 is estimated to be £1130.00. If you wish your son/daughter to take part in this excellent opportunity which will enrich their learning and give them memories to last forever then would you send in a deposit for £200.00. **Our preferred method of payment for this trip is via ParentPay.** You will be able to view the balance due as well as giving online consent for the trip. Please note payments by cheque will still be accepted and if this is your preferred method of payment, please complete the consent slip below (whether you pay by cheque or parent pay please) and return it to the finance department at school with your deposit (if applicable). **All deposits must be returned by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016.**

Future payments will be requested in January (£310), February (£310) and April (£310) reminder letters will be sent out. 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 Discover the World.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any enquiries about the trip.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs S Stone  
Geography Department



**GEOGRAPHY/GEOLOGY TRIP TO ICELAND 3 – 7 JULY 2017 – PLEASE RETURN**

I consent for my son/daughter to take part in the Trip to Iceland, and I **enclose a cheque/ parent pay (please delete)** to cover the initial deposit of £200.00.

**Name of student** ..... **Tutor Group** .....  
**AS PER PASSPORT**

Parent/Guardian ..... Date .....

**The consent form and cheque (if not paying by parent pay) should be handed into the finance office by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you.**