



December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Due to a number of additional students expressing interest in the Iceland trip next year from 15th-19th July, we are considering re-opening the trip to existing students in year 10, 11 and 12 who may be interested in attending.

Details of the Visit

The trip to Iceland has been designed carefully to provide students with the opportunity to see what challenges and opportunities people face when living in a tectonically active environment. This will be particularly beneficial for students taking geography for GCSE and A-level.

The trip features a rich itinerary – students will explore landscapes, learn about the processes that have shaped the island and experience how the resources available have shaped human activity across Iceland. The outline itinerary is listed below, although this may change closer to the time:

Day 1	Keflavík – Reykjanes peninsula including the new lava flows at the 2022 eruption site – Krysuvik – Lake Kleifervatn - overnight Hveragerdi area
Day 2	Secret Lagoon - Geysir – Gullfoss – Thingvellir – overnight Hveragerdi area
Day 3	Lava Centre - Seljalandsfoss – Gljúfrabúi – Sólheimajökull – Dyrhólaey – Reynisfjara - - Vik - Skogafoss - Overnight Hveragerdi area
Day 4	Selfoss - Hveragerdi Hot Springs Hike - Lava Tunnel - Reykjavik city centre and free time – overnight Reykjavík
Day 5	Direct transfer Reykjavík – Keflavik airport

In addition to the above, students will also be taking part in a glacial walk, the day of which is TBC.

The trip will be fun, educational and offer a chance for the pupils to relax at the end of what will have been a long summer term.

The tour company we are using is 'Discover the World Education'. They have extremely high standards that ensure your child will be safe at all times. In addition to this, the children will be accompanied by experienced members of school staff.

At present the cost of the trip is estimated as a maximum of £1,400 per person - final costs will be known next term. Whilst we appreciate the large cost involved, it promises to be an extremely rewarding trip. Final payment for the trip must be made by 31 March 2024, with existing participants having paid £900 so far since February 2023.

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The cost includes:

- Return flights from Stansted Airport
- Airport transfers to and from Stanborough School to Stansted Airport
- All coach travel whilst in Iceland
- All activities whilst in Iceland
- All meals and accommodation whilst on site
- Travel insurance

Passports & Visas

You will need to ensure that your child has a valid passport with a minimum of 3 months duration following the return date of the trip and if any visa is required for your child, you will need to ensure that you have arranged for this.

Given the last minute notice of the trip, we suggest the following instalments:

Date	Amount
15/12/23	£350
31/01/24	£400
29/02/24	£400
31/03/24	£250

Should you wish for your child to attend the trip please complete the slip below. We will confirm with you should your child be accepted on the trip. If student numbers exceed the number of spaces available, then a ballot will be held.

Please note: any pupil who is subject to serious disciplinary action or who has consistently poor behaviour is unlikely to be permitted to join the trip due to the risk to other students, members of staff, members of the public and the reputation of Stanborough School.

Yours faithfully



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Reply Slip - Year 10, 11 & 12 Iceland Trip - 2024

Please return to the Student Reception no later than **Monday 11th December 2023**

Student's Name: **Tutor Group:**

I would like to reserve a place for my child on the Iceland overseas trip and am aware that the total of £1,400 must be paid to the school by 31st March 2024 with the first deposit due of £350 by 15th December 2023

I understand that if my child is subject to serious disciplinary action or they are deemed to have consistently poor behavior, they are unlikely to be permitted to join the trip.

Signed (Parent/Carer): **Date:**

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