

19 September 2017

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Dear Parent/Carer

Earlier in the year the Robert Carre Trust sent out details of an Iceland trip to students studying Geography across the Trust. Due to some students leaving the Trust, we now have 4 places that have become available. To secure a place, we require a £400 deposit, ideally before the end of September. Please speak with Mrs Collett (KSHS) or Miss Chaddock (CGS) should you wish to discuss this fantastic opportunity. Detailed below is the original letter with full details of the trip.

The Geography departments from Kesteven and Sleaford High School and Carre's Grammar School are delighted to inform you that they are proposing an extra-curricular 5 day tour of Iceland for students that study Geography in Year 12 and Year 13 in The Robert Carre Trust. The trip will depart Sleaford on Thursday 8 February 2018 and return on Monday 12 February 2018. The outline itinerary is shown below and is subject to change. There may be additional activities that could be arranged at a later date. The cost of this visit is likely to be no more than £1000; however, this figure will depend on uptake.

What's *likely* to be included:

- ✓ Transport to and from UK airport
- ✓ Flights to and from Iceland
- ✓ Breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal whilst in Iceland
- ✓ Accommodation (hotel) multi-bedded rooms (same sex) with bed linen and shared facilities
- ✓ Professional guide
- ✓ Option to eat out at selected restaurants in central Reykjavik
- ✓ Entry to the Blue Lagoon
- ✓ Glacier Walk
- ✓ Thorvaldseyri – Eyjafjallajokull (volcano) Visitor Centre
- ✓ Fridheimar Geothermal Greenhouses
- ✓ Eyjafjallajokull (volcano) and Thorsmork (mountain ridge)
- ✓ Visit to a Geothermal power station

What's not included in the cost:

- ☒ Spending money
- ☒ Snacks
- ☒ Additional sightseeing excursions
- ☒ Meals on days of travel (to and from UK airport)

Parents are asked to make a payment of £1000 to cover the cost of the extra-curricular tour and activities. The total cost of the trip is being finalised and will depend on numbers. In order to ascertain numbers we would ask for a holding deposit, paid by cheque, of £200 before Friday 24 March 2017. This deposit will not be cashed until the trip is confirmed. We will confirm if your son / daughter has a place on the trip and use the £200 holding deposit as a non-refundable deposit which will be forwarded to our tour operator. Pupil premium students (FSM) will be entitled to financial support towards the cost of board and lodgings, so please contact the trip leader if you need to know any further details and check eligibility.

If the trip is oversubscribed places will be allocated in accordance with the Trust's trip selection policy using a ballot method. Places will be allocated proportionally in relation to numbers of students studying Geography at either school. If the trip is undersubscribed and we are unable to provide the recommended safe adult ratios your payment will be returned / reimbursed. This decision will be made after the date for initial holding deposits.

Students in the past have had some truly memorable visits to this area of Iceland but please ensure that your son / daughter is clear about what is required for this type of physical activity. Any medical conditions must be declared and you will be required to complete a medical questionnaire should the trip go ahead. In the past we have been able to sell places to other students but this is something which becomes more difficult closer to the departure date and not something which we can guarantee. Students must be studying Geography at the time of the trip in order to qualify for a place.

This is an exciting opportunity to visit a truly unique location in the world and the students will experience the awe and wonder of Iceland's incredible landscape and tectonic features – we look forward to your response. If you would like any further guidance, please do not hesitate to contact us at either school.

There will be a trip information evening in October 2017 and we will provide full details nearer the time.

Yours faithfully



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ICELAND TRIP 2018
PARENT RESPONSE – PLEASE SIGN ASK YOUR DAUGHTER / SON TO RETURN
TO MRS COLLETT OR MISS CHADDOCK
BY FRIDAY 24 MARCH 2017 – THIS CAN BE DONE VIA RECEPTION / POST

Student Name (Print) _____ Form: _____

- I give permission for my daughter/son.....
Form..... to attend/ take part in the tour of Iceland in February 2018 (Thursday 8 February 2018 - Monday 13 February 2018).
- In the event of my daughter / son gaining a place on this trip, I am willing to make a total payment of £1000.
- I will pay an initial deposit of £200 by cheque or cash by Friday 24 March 2017. (Please place the cheque in an envelope marked 'Iceland Trip 2018'. Please put the name and Form of your daughter/son on the envelope. Students should take all Iceland cheques to the Finance Office in either school.)
- I understand that once the trip is finalised and your daughter / son has been offered a place this deposit becomes non-refundable and the £200 will be forwarded to the Tour Provider.
- I understand I will be provided with a further payment schedule once final places have been allocated and this will include 4 further instalments.

Parent/Carer Signature: _____ Date: _____