



The Robert Carre Trust
Northgate Sleaford Lincolnshire NG34 7DD

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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year to you. Our Iceland visit is less than 5 weeks away and I thought I would send some reminders about our visit.

Our travel Specialist (*Discover The World Education*) has been advised by Icelandair that, regrettably, they are withdrawing the Birmingham to Keflavik route due to commercial reasons. The last schedule service to operate will be Monday 15 January 2018. Due to these unforeseen circumstances, *Discover The World* has made alternative arrangements for our group. Our outbound flight will be on Thursday 8 February from **Manchester** and will leave at 12.25pm. Our return flight will arrive back in Manchester on Monday 12 February at 10.35am. This means that we depart Sleaford at the earlier time of **6.35am** on Thursday 8 February 2018 from Carre's Grammar School. Please could you arrive no later than **6.20am**. Our arrival back in Sleaford on Monday 12 February is estimated to be at 2.25pm.

Dietary/ Medical Requirements – Please inform us of any additional dietary or medical information that may have come to light in recent weeks / months so that we can update our booking system and pass this important information to the hotels and other suppliers where appropriate. If your son / daughter carries an adrenaline auto-injector, insulin or other self-administered medication, they *must* obtain a prescription or doctor's certificate before travel to ease passing through security at the airport. The medical details should be added to Form EV13 on page 9 and 10 of the Iceland booklet you received at the Information Evening; we need these details by 19 January 2018 at the latest.

Room allocations – I will be sent details of the rooming configuration approximately one to two weeks before departure. As soon as I am in receipt of this, I will be asking students to make some decisions on rooming. However, it might be that the rooming allocation is not available until a few days before departure, so thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

Plugs – European adaptors are suitable for the plugs in Iceland.

Currency – If you would like your son / daughter to take some Icelandic currency, can I suggest that you order this relatively soon? We recommend that students take between £50-£100 depending on what they feel they would like to purchase. Drinks and snacks outside of the meal times are extra and can be very expensive in Iceland. I would recommend having any favourite snacks packed in suitcases.

Please could I ask that prior to departure you check your son / daughter has the correct passport? It is not unknown for a student to take passports belonging to siblings. Without a valid passport you simply cannot fly and as we cannot leave a student alone at the airport, a staff member would have to stay behind. The luggage allowance for our visit is 23kg per person – max. dimensions 158cm. Use this link for up to date information. <http://www.icelandair.co.uk/information/baggage-information/baggage-restrictions/>

I hope you are looking forward to your trip to Iceland and please do not hesitate to contact me for any further information / guidance. I look forward to seeing you all at 6.20am on Thursday 8 February 2018.

Yours faithfully

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