

# The Robert Carre Trust Northgate Sleaford Lincolnshire NG34 7DD

26 February 2019

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Dear Parent/Carer

The Geography departments in the Robert Carre Trust are proposing to take Sixth Form students studying Geography on an extra-curricular five day tour of Iceland. The trip will depart from Sleaford on Thursday 13 February 2020 and return on Monday 17 February 2020. The proposed outline itinerary is shown below and is subject to change. The approximate cost of this visit is likely to be £1100; however, this figure will depend on uptake.

## What is *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) in multi-bedded rooms (same sex) with bed linen and shared facilities
- Professional guide
- ✓ Entry to the Blue Lagoon
- ✓ Entry to the Lava Tunnel attraction
- ✓ Visit to Hellisheidi Geothermal power station
- Thingvellir National Park the junction between the Eurasian and North American Plates
- Visits to Gulfoss Waterfall, Solheimajokull Glacier and Eyjafjallajokull (volcano) amongst other attractions in this area of Iceland

#### What is not included in the cost:

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

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** by **Friday 29 March 2019**. The cheques will not be cashed until the trip is confirmed. Once we confirm numbers with the tour operator we will use the £200 holding deposit as a non-refundable deposit which will be forwarded to our tour operator. Pupil premium students (FSM) could be entitled to financial support towards the cost of board and lodgings, so please contact the school 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 does not go ahead your payment will be returned. This decision will be made after the date for the initial holding deposits has passed.

Students in the past have had some truly memorable visits to this area of Iceland but please ensure that your son or 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. Students must be studying Geography at a school in the Robert Carre Trust 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. If you would like your son or daughter to take part in this trip, please return the slip below along with a cheque for £200. If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at either school.

Yours faithfully

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### ICELAND TRIP 2020

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## PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO MRS COLLETT OR MISS CHADDOCK BY FRIDAY 29 MARCH 2019 – THIS CAN BE DONE VIA THE SCHOOL RECEPTION

Student Name (Print) Form:

- I give permission for my son/daughter.....to take part in the Geography tour of Iceland in February 2020 (Thursday 13 February 2020 - Monday 17 February 2020).
- In the event of my son/daughter gaining a place on this trip, I am willing to make a total • payment of approximately £1100.
- I will pay an initial deposit of £200 by cheque by Friday 29 March 2019. (Please place the cheque in an envelope marked 'Iceland Trip 2020'. Please put the name and form of your son/daughter on the envelope. Students should take all Iceland cheques to the reception at either school.)
- I understand that once the trip is finalised and your son/daughter has been offered a place this deposit becomes non-refundable and the £200 will be forwarded to the Tour Provider.
- I understand that 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:

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