



# Willingdon

## COMMUNITY SCHOOL

### YEARS 9 & 10 ICELAND RESIDENTIAL TRIP

July 2019

September 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

We are incredibly excited to be able to offer, once again, a school tour to Iceland for students in **Years 9 and 10** (2018/2019) and would like to offer your son/ daughter the opportunity to take part in this valuable experience. After our incredible and successful tour in 2017 we are pleased to be offering the proposed trip from 11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019. Travel will be from Gatwick to Keflavik Airport in Iceland.

The group will be staying in hotel accommodation near Reykjavik, the capital city of Iceland. This is an ideal location for exploring some of the most impressive and fascinating geographical features that Iceland has to offer. Iceland is famous as a volcanic island, and offers an impressive range of landscapes such as sand and lava fields, glaciers, geysers, mountains and geothermal baths. Our days will be filled with activities exploring the wealth of geographical sites, giving students the opportunity to expand their geographical knowledge and experience the wondrous sights. Evenings will be filled with walks, restaurants, local culture and swimming in geothermally heated swimming pools.

We only have a limited number of places, and should the trip become oversubscribed, then a random selection process will be used. The trip is being booked through 'Discover the World' travel; a company with a 30-year quality reputation of arranging school tours to Iceland in particular. They will work closely with the school again throughout the planning process and with the guides in Iceland to ensure the very best learning experience for your son/daughter. The total cost covers ALL expenditure for the trip including all transfers, meals, accommodation, activities and insurance. The total payable is £975 with no additional costs and any changes in the exchange rates are protected. This cost is subject to numbers. Any spending money will need to be carried by the students.

Your son/daughter will need to be in possession of his/her own valid passport for the time of travel and up to date European Health Insurance card (EHIC). Please think carefully before committing yourself to this activity as refunds are not possible once the deposit is paid. Poor behaviour/low attendance will not be tolerated at Willingdon Community School. Therefore, the school reserves the right to cancel a student's participation in a trip if behaviour /attendance does not reach our expected high standards.

If you would like more information I will be hosting an information evening during the week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> September (time and date TBC) for students and parents interested in the trip. Please email me if you will be attending so I can ensure the venue is correctly set up. I will confirm the venue once I have numbers. I will be talking about the trip activities, answering questions and showing a presentation of some of the amazing locations that we will be visiting.

You can contact me directly at [lcollins@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:lcollins@willingdonschool.org.uk) to register your interest in attending the information evening.

If you would like your son/daughter to be involved in this incredible trip, please complete and return the reply slip below to the school office by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October together with a **non-refundable** deposit of £100.00 payable via ParentPay. The rest of the trip payments are due in instalments in December, February and the final balance in April.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs L Collins

**Reply Slip – Years 9 & 10 Iceland Tour – 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019 (Proposed)**

Please return to your son's/daughter's Geography teacher

Student name.....Tutor Group.....

I wish for my son/daughter to participate in the school tour to Iceland as described in the attached letter

I have paid £100.00 deposit via ParentPay

Signature..... Date.....

Name ..... Please PRINT