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Dear Parent,

3rd July 2020

## Endeavour Iceland Visit 2020

The Endeavour Iceland visit scheduled for the 28<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020 is still proceeding on schedule. We appreciate your patience with the uncertainty surrounding the visit and hope that this letter answers any questions which you currently have.

We understand that some of you may feel anxious about travelling at this time and would like to reassure you that Iceland has some of the lowest numbers of Covid-19 globally. We will take all necessary precautions to reduce the risk to students and staff. As far as we can ascertain, based on current government guidance and information, there are unlikely to be any restrictions on travel to and from Iceland at the time of the visit.

The remaining balance for the visit is split into two payments:

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020                      £350.00
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020              £350.00

We understand parents concern in making further deposit payments for the visit. To safeguard the payment you have already made and to secure your child's place on the visit, it is essential that you continue with the payment schedule as outlined otherwise you risk forfeiting the deposit you have paid. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school.

In order to proceed with the planning for the visit there is some information which we require:

1. Your child's full name as it appears on their passport
2. Your child's passport number
3. Your child's date of birth

This information must be provided by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020 in preparation for students flying in October. If this information is not provided to the airline in time, then it is possible that your child would be unable to travel. Please ensure that this information is provided on the form exactly as it is stated on the passport. Incorrect information could lead to a charge upon arrival at the airport. The payment of charges incurred due to incorrect information being provided would lie with the parents.

Below is a link to a form where you can provide your child's passport information and raise any questions which you may have about this letter.





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As stated in previous correspondence, the airline requires all passports to be valid for six months after the return date. Therefore, your child's passport must be valid until 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 or later. It is currently taking substantially longer than the usual three weeks for passport applications to be processed so we strongly recommend that you apply for a passport as soon as possible.

Iceland's climate in October is typically cold and wet. Therefore, it is important you are appropriately prepared with certain clothing and equipment for the trip.

- Walking boots/sturdy footwear – these should have a strong grip to withstand with the conditions which could be muddy, wet, icy, and may include steep and uneven ground.
- Warm socks – 3 pairs of warm socks.
- Waterproof clothing - a wind and rain proof jacket and rain proof over trousers.
- Warm hat and gloves – gloves which allow for the use of mobile phones will be helpful if pictures are going to be taken.
- Layered clothing – thermal t-shirts, jumpers and fleece.
- Trousers – warm outdoor or walking trousers. Students should not wear jeans for outdoor activities.
- Evening clothing – appropriate casual clothing and sleepwear will be required.

Please note that temperatures in Iceland in October average 0°C and there can be rain and snow. Please ensure your child is properly prepared for these conditions.

A further update will be provided in advance of the final payment due on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020. If you require any further information or have any queries then please do not hesitate to contact me on 01704 893259 or email me at [abarnes@burscoughprioryacademy.org](mailto:abarnes@burscoughprioryacademy.org).

Yours faithfully

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