

"A learning community in pursuit of excellence"

April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are planning to take LSA students on a Geography trip to Iceland in March 2022 on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March to Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022. There are now places available on this trip. It is open to students currently in Years 8 - 10 with priority given to GCSE Geography students. All students must have their own passport and are required to sign a code of conduct before the trip departs.

Iceland is the Geographer's ultimate playground, as it offers unique opportunities for students. We will bear witness to rare phenomena, from dramatic volcanic lunar landscapes and spouting geysers, to diverging plates, glaciers, ice cap, ice caves, and outwash plains! The landscape of Iceland is rich in opportunities and challenges, which will perfectly complement their geographical studies. This trip is an amazing opportunity and will involve some exciting trips including; Reykjanes Peninsula Day, the Blue Lagoon, walking round a volcanic crater and a visit to the Lava Museum. Unfortunately, places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Student's behaviour records will be taken into account before the deposit is accepted. The arrangements for this Geography trip are as follows:

The trip will be on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March to Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022, staying at the Hotel Cabin in Reykjavik.

The cost for 2022 is £1060 and will include:

- Insurance
- Full board
- Return air fare & taxes
- Coach travel
- Entrance fees, tickets and equipment required for all the various trips.
- A tour hoodie and t-shirt [not included – spending money, meal en route and clothing]

The non-refundable deposit of £160 (which includes an admin fee of £14) which will secure your child a place is due by the 17/05/2021. A second non-refundable deposit of £200 is due by the  $1^{st}$  July 2021 (total £360).

Payments are as follows:

- £200 by 1<sup>st</sup> September (total paid £560)
- £200 by 1<sup>st</sup> October (total paid £760)
- £200 by 1<sup>st</sup> November (£960)
- £200 by 1<sup>st</sup> January (total paid £1060)

All payments must be paid via ParentPay. Payments can be made more frequently, e.g. £100 per month rather than £200 on the due date, so long as the payment totals are reached by the dates detailed above. We are restricted to six payment dates on ParentPay but the system does not prevent you from paying more often.

(If the trip cannot go ahead due to Covid related travel restrictions, the trip will be rescheduled)

Cancellation charges will apply as follows:

- Any time after booking forfeit of all deposits paid.
- 70-29 days before departure 60% of tour cost
- 28-15 days before departure 80% of tour cost
- 14 days or less before departure 100% of tour cost.

All students will be expected to be fit enough to participate in the activities, as this is a physically demanding trip. All students must also have a valid UK passport with six months validity remaining after the end of the holiday. If a non-UK passport is held then it is your responsibility to ensure that a valid visa is in place if required. Whilst a group insurance policy will be in place, it is strongly advised that all participants also carry a GHIC Health Card. Available on the GOV website.

All LSA trips are operated on the basis of 'Safety, Enjoyment and Learning' and as such, we will be operating only COVID-19 secure trips to hotels and resorts compliant with our requirements.

Student's behaviour throughout the school year will be taken into consideration and may result in them being removed from the trip with the possibility of no refund given. The final decision on behaviour will be up to the Headteacher.

If you wish your child to participate in our Iceland Trip 2022, please complete the permission slip and return to Mrs Evans in H4.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Evans Party Leader Head of Geography Lytham St Annes High School

To Mrs Evans

Parent/Carer signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish for my child to participate in the Geography trip to Iceland on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March to Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022. You will be notified when to pay the £160 deposit via ParentPay.

Student Name:	Form:

Please note once our child has a secure place on the trip all payments will be made via ParentPay. Mrs Evans will be unable to accept cheque or cash payments.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_