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Dear Parents

Key Stage 5 A Level Geography and Enrichment Trip to Iceland - Monday 7th April 2025 - Friday 11 April 2025

I am pleased to inform you of an exciting opportunity being provided for A Level Geography students to visit the Land of Fire and Ice on a trip to Iceland. This trip has been calculated based on 30 students attending and therefore there may be the opportunity for students who do not study A Level Geography to also attend if places are available.

The trip is booked with Discover the World Education who are experts at running visits to Iceland. They are ABTA and ATOL bonded and are members of the School Travel Forum and have been awarded the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge Award for their trips to Iceland.

This trip will help to enhance students' knowledge and understanding of a number of components as part of their A Level Geography course and will give them a first-hand opportunity to understand some of the case studies that they will study during their course that they can then use in their examinations. Topics covered in the trip include Hazards, Population and Environment and Changing Places.

The trip will depart from School on Monday 7th April 2025 arriving at Manchester Airport in time for our flight to Reykjavik Keflavik Airport in Iceland. We are expected to return to School on Friday 11th April. The exact timings will be confirmed once the final flight details have been released and confirmed in the summer.

The trip includes a full itinerary where students will be able to visit some of the many famous locations in Iceland, including:

- Blue Lagoon
- Hellisheidi Geothermal Power Station
- Lava Centre
- Glacier Walk
- Lava Show
- Kerid Crater
- Thingvellir National Park
- Many more...

This is an exciting opportunity which will benefit students both educationally and socially. The total cost of this A Level Trip to Iceland will be in the region of £1400 but it does need to be noted that this could be slightly lower or higher based on final flight prices released in summer 2024. We are asking for **£100** deposit by **Wednesday 7 February 2024**.

The cost of the trip includes the following:

- Return coach transfer from Sherburn High School to Manchester
- Return flights to Reykjavik Keflavik Airport
- Hold luggage for each passenger
- Airline Passenger Duty (APD)
- Coach transfers between sites and activities in Iceland
- 4 nights full board accommodation in various hotels and locations across Iceland
- Meals at restaurants on evening
- The activities mentioned above
- Fully comprehensive insurance



- Fully qualified tour guide

This trip is initially open to all students currently studying A Level Geography in Year 12 and those students choosing A Level Geography at Sherburn High School who are currently in Year 11, however there may be an opportunity for students who do not study A Level Geography to also attend.

There are 30 places available and first refusal will be given to the current Year 12 Geography students followed by Year 11 students who are choosing to study Geography at Sherburn Sixth Form. If we do not reach 30 places from these groups then the trip will be opened up to all students in Year 12 and all students in Year 11 who are attending Sherburn Sixth Form.

Students who are currently in Year 11 must return to study at Sherburn High School Sixth Form to attend the trip or unfortunately they will not be able to attend and will not be refunded any deposits or instalments made up to that date. If you would like to have a conversation around your child's predicted grades and sixth form entry requirements please contact myself or our Head of Post-16 Mrs Crossley at joanne.crossley@shs.starmat.uk

Initially, a deposit of £100 is being requested to secure a place on the upcoming trip. Further information will then be provided when final passenger numbers are confirmed regarding the payment instalments for the remainder of the trip. The total amount payable for the trip will be required by Monday 27th January 2025.

Please note that the costings of this trip are calculated based on 30 students attending and unfortunately if these numbers are not met by Wednesday 7th February 2024, the trip will not run and the initial deposit of £100 will be refunded to all.

Educational Visits Policy and Insurance

This visit is organised under the school's educational visits policy. To give consent for your child to take part in the visit please tick the consent box when paying for the trip. A copy of the consent information is attached (for your information only) and can also be found on the school website under the main menu on the left hand side in the "parentpay" section. Please read the detailed information for this trip before giving consent. You will not need to send the form to school as long as you have provided an emergency contact number and any medical conditions in the note box against the payment transaction line.

All students taking part in the activity will be covered by the RPA Personal Accident and Travel Insurance. If you wish to have details of this cover please contact the Business Manager. Should you wish to withdraw at a later date, please do so in writing. The Tour firm will not refund the first deposit and the subsequent instalments once paid to them (monies can be reclaimable through the insurance company due to illness only with written confirmation from your doctor).

Please do think carefully before making a commitment to this trip. If you do wish to withdraw your son/daughter at a later date there may be a student willing to take their place, but please understand the position if this is not the case. I will do my best on your behalf; however loss of all or part of the trip cost can result.

Finance and Free School Meals

As a school we are very aware of the additional cost of school trips and we want all our students to be able to access these opportunities. As this is a non-compulsory educational visit we are asking for a voluntary contribution. Unfortunately, if we do not receive enough voluntary contributions, we may need to cancel the trip. If you do have any issues or queries regarding payment [Those who are entitled to the Sixth Form Bursary may be entitled to some financial support], please contact myself or finance@shs.starmat.uk as appropriate.

Medication and Medical Conditions

If your child has taken any medication on the morning of the trip, **please fill in the form attached to this email** and send it to school with your child so that we have a record. If your child will need to take any medication on the day of the trip please make sure that it is **in its original packaging and placed in an envelope or sealed plastic bag with the name of your child on and details of when and how much needs to be taken**. Your child will need to hand the medication to me on the morning of the trip and this will be kept safe for them until they need to take it. **Please note that we will be unable to hand any spare medication back to students at the end of the trip.** Medication will need to be given directly to parents on collection or collected from the School's reception by a parent. Please also note that if your child has asthma they **MUST** have their inhaler/s on their person on the day of the trip otherwise they will be unable to go on the trip.

Yours sincerely
Mrs J Goulding
Trip Leader

THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE READ BEFORE GIVING PARENTAL CONSENT ON PARENTPAY

Name of Visit: KS5 Iceland Trip

Date: Monday 7th April 2025 - Friday 11 April 2025

By ticking the consent box on the parentpay website, you have agreed to the following three consent statements:-

PARENTAL CONSENT STATEMENT

I would like my son / daughter to take part in the activity above

Please arrange for payment via the parentpay website www.parentpay.com and provide emergency contact details including your home number and a mobile phone number. Your child will not be accepted on the trip without consent, emergency contact details and payment.

MEDICAL CONSENT STATEMENT

My child is in good health and does not suffer from any condition requiring regular treatment or any complaint that may require emergency treatment and will not be excluded from any activities. I confirm that:-

1. There are no activities that I do not wish my child to take part in.
2. My child does not suffer from any condition requiring regular treatment
3. My child does not suffer from any condition which may require emergency treatment
4. I give my consent to any emergency medical treatment necessary during the course of the visit.

If your child does have a medical need or condition please let us know via the parentpay website by including details of the condition and what action we would need to take if applicable in the **note box** prior to sending your payment. This needs to be done for every trip irrespective of whether the school has previously been informed.

For insurance purposes, if your child suffers from a serious complaint, please send a letter to the school enclosing a letter from your doctor confirming your child is fit to participate giving details of the complaint and its treatment. Please note this in the box prior to making payment so that we know we are expecting a doctor's letter.

If we do not receive notes via parentpay regarding any medical conditions, we will assume there are no medical conditions and no restrictions to the activities your child can participate in during the visit.

COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS CONSENT (if applicable)

I understand that the return time is after normal school hours. I will arrange for a responsible person to collect my son / daughter from the **school bus park** on **New Lane** where necessary.

The letter inviting your child on the school trip will inform you if the trip is returning after normal school hours together with an approximate return time. That information is also on the top of this form.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEO RECORDINGS

I consent to photographs and video recordings of my child to be used by school and services for teaching and coaching purpose and for use in marketing and publicity in line with relevant policies.

BEHAVIOUR AND CONDUCT

I understand that my child must adhere to any code of conduct and behaviour set out by the visit/activity leader, school, service or external provider.

Home Administration of Medication Record

Name of student and tutor group	DoB	
Number of GP and contact number		
Emergency contact details: Name	Contact number	
<p>Name of medication:</p> <p>Formula (e.g. tablets):</p> <p>(Name of student).....has already taken</p> <p>(dosage).....of the above named medication at (time).....</p> <p>Today. The next dose, as stated on the medication should be taken at</p> <p>(time).....</p> <p>Signed: (parent/carer)</p>		