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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you to let you know of a fantastic opportunity for our Y10 Geography students. We are planning a 5-day trip to Iceland which will take place between the 7th and 11th April 2025.

The trip will include visits to the famous Gullfoss Waterfall, Hveragerði Geothermal Park, the Lava centre, lava tunnels and a visit to the hot springs and geysers. The trip will also include the chance to swim in the Secret Lagoon and a trek on the Sólheimajökull Glacier using crampons and spikes. Several other spectacular and unique areas of geographical interest will also be visited.

The trip will give students first-hand experience of material covered in the GCSE Geography specification. Such is the range of natural features and stunning scenery in Iceland, it will be an amazing opportunity to experience a landscape far removed from everyday experiences.

To help us organise the trip we are using Halsbury Travel. They are a specialist company who take thousands of students away every year. Until we confirm numbers, which allows the company to book flights and accommodation, it is not possible to confirm the final price, however we anticipate the total cost of the trip will be approximately £1350 based on 60 students confirming their place. This will cover all transport (coach and airplane), full board accommodation, a trip hoodie and entrance to the various excursions on the trip.

In order to secure a place on this trip, a non-refundable deposit of £350 will need to be paid by the 29th February 2024. Once we have a confirmed list of students attending a payment schedule and a more detailed itinerary will be sent out. Behaviour is a key consideration for all students on external visits, particularly those abroad. Students who are not maintaining appropriate behaviour levels will be removed from the trip.

Payment can only be made using our online payment system, Parent Pay. If you have any issues using this, please contact Mr Pittock by email, apittock@parkhouseschool.org.

If you have any questions about this trip, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Farrell by email afarrell@parkhouseschool.org. There are also lots of pictures from the 2018 trip in the geography corridor.

Yours sincerely,

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