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Dear Parent/Guardian,

PROPOSED GEOGRAPHICAL FIELD STUDY VISIT TO ICELAND

The geography department is offering year ten students the chance of a field study visit to Iceland between Monday 1st July-Friday 5th July. This will be an amazing opportunity to experience the very unique geography of this fascinating country, including volcanic and glaciated scenery. Your child will be able to watch an erupting geyser and study volcanic craters and tectonic faults. There will also be an opportunity to investigate the effects of glaciers on the landscape and to experience glacier walking. We will take a ferry to Heimaey island to see how its settlement has been affected by and adapted to recent volcanic activity and climb up the volcano itself. There will also be the chance to swim in a geothermally heated spa with saunas, pools and steam rooms, visit an Icelandic waterpark and walk behind towering waterfalls.

This visit is an optional extra and supports the geography curriculum. No pupil will miss any compulsory or statutory element of their education if they do not attend. The visit has been arranged to coincide with the first week of the two week window for year 10 work experience to minimise disruption in school. As this activity is considered to have only normal everyday risks, it is covered by the Local Authority's standard public liability insurance and no further insurance has been provided. Please note that all residential and high-risk activities are subject to Local Authority approval. If any changes to our current plans are requested by the Local Authority parents will be kept fully informed.

In order for the Iceland trip to run, we will require a contribution in the region of £1000, which will be finalised once all arrangements are complete and can be paid in instalments. This will cover full board accommodation, all activities, travel by coach in Iceland accompanied by an experienced guide, flights, coach travel to and from the airport, a contingency fund for emergency and unforeseen expenses, insurance cover and cost of staff cover. If you would like your child to take part in this visit, I would be grateful if you could return the attached parental consent form and deposit by **Monday 10th October** so that arrangements for the visit can proceed. This should be returned to **Bader Reception** in an envelope marked **'For the Attention of Mrs Jetson'** and clearly labelled with **your child's name and tutor group and the date and destination of the educational visit**. The **deposit of £150** can be made via the **ParentPay** website or, alternatively, a cheque can be sent into school with the consent form made payable to **King Edward VI School**. This deposit is required by the travel company and will be non-returnable if your child is successful in securing a place on this trip. However, if your child does not secure a place, the deposit will be refunded.

Due to hotel and airline constraints, please be aware that there are a maximum number of 50 student places available and you will be informed if your child has been successful after the closing date. If oversubscribed, to reward effort and enthusiasm for Geography, places for up to 5 students per teaching group, will be allocated to students whose effort in Geography has been excellent throughout Year 9 and so far this year. This will be measured by effort both in lessons and towards homework as indicated on termly reports. The remaining places will then be drawn out of a hat by Senior Leadership Team member Mr Shaw.

If your child's behaviour record has been poor across the school, unfortunately we will not be able to allocate them a place for health and safety reasons. If your child is offered a place, it is on the understanding that their behaviour record remains at a standard which ensures they can be trusted on the trip, and that their behaviour will not compromise the safety of themselves or other students. If you require any further information on this, please contact agoodhead@kingedwardvi-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk

Yours faithfully,

The Geography Department
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PARENTAL CONSENT FOR A SCHOOL VISIT

Please complete this form and return it to Mrs V Jetson, Bader Office or email to edvisits@kingedwardvi-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk

Visit to Iceland Monday 1st July – Friday 5th July 2019

1. **Medical details.** My son/daughter has the following medical or special needs.
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I understand that for residential visits I must complete and return a medical form, with up to date details, not more than fourteen days before the visit.

2. **Dietary details.** My son/daughter has the following dietary needs.
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3. **Insurance.** Will be provided by the school insurance company. It is my responsibility to ensure the cover provided is appropriate for my child’s personal circumstances.

4. **Transport.** I understand that I will be informed of the transport arrangements for this visit and my child understands the need to wear a seatbelt.

5. **Return to Home.** I understand that I will be informed of the predicted time of return and where this is outside normal school hours I will attend to collect my son/daughter or my son/daughter will be returning home by.....

6. **Water Activities and Swimming.** For visits that involve water activities and/or swimming my son/daughter’s swimming ability and consent to partake is (tick boxes): -

Non-swimmer	
Swim less than 50 metres	
Swim 50 metres or more	
I consent to my son/daughter undertaking the water activities and swimming notified in the visit programme.	
I consent to my son/daughter swimming in open water	

8. **Financial Contribution.** I am making a contribution of £..... which I either A) have sent via ParentPay, B) enclose

9. **Photographs.** Photographs taken on the visit may be used in school or education service promotional information. Please answer Yes or No

I agree to my son/daughter attending the visit detailed above and I acknowledge that to be included he/she will need to maintain responsible behaviour

Name of son/daughter Class
(Please print as shown on passport)

Signed..... Date..... Person with Parental Responsibility

Once completed please return this form in a sealed envelope to Mrs Jetson in Bader Office. For parents not using the ParentPay facility a cheque should be included with the form. The envelope should be marked clearly with the name and tutor group of your child and the destination and date of the educational visit.