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**Acting Head Teacher:** John Blair

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Dear Parent/Carer

### **WHA TRIP TO ICELAND JUNE 2021**

Wallace Hall Academy is offering a visit to Iceland for four days and three nights 04/06/2021 (Fri) - 07/06/2021 (Mon). Current S1, S2, S3, S4 & S5 pupils are invited to participate. The trip links extremely well with the Broad General Education. Students across all subjects who wish to come on this trip of a lifetime are welcome.

The cost of the trip we expect to be £945 based on initial quotes and we will be booking with NST, the UK's leading school tour travel Company. This price includes coach travel to a Scottish airport. Travel Insurance and the services of a Field Studies Guide for the duration of the trip. Across the 5 days we will have the following on the itinerary:

- Swimming in the Secret Lagoon natural geothermal spa
- The Golden Circle which includes Gullfoss Waterfall, Geysir Center, Thingvellir National Park, where we will see the canyon created when the American and Eurasian tectonic plates are pulled apart at a rate of a few centimetres per year
- South Shore Adventure which includes visiting Skogarfoss and Seljalandsfoss Waterfalls, Reynishverfi Black Basalt Sand Beach on the Dyrolaey coast and Sólheimajökull Lava Sea Arch and Peninsula and a visit to Kerid volcanic crater lake which is the remains of a former cone volcano
- Free time in Reykjavik or visit to the Perlan Centre – flight times permitting

The Field Studies Guide will assist in delivering a programme to suit our group's specific learning needs. This includes; pre-tour planning, teaching and advising at key geographical sites, assistance with logistics, planning, itinerary changes due to weather and support with regards to clothing and kit requirements.

We will be staying in a three star hotel in Reykjavik on a half board basis. In addition, students will need a small amount in Euros to cover the cost of lunchtime snacks and refreshments.

All students will be required to have their own passport and a European Health Insurance Card.

To secure a place on this tour when we launch the trip we will require a non-refundable deposit of £200 which will be requested on or before Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June. We will also provide a payment plan to help spread the cost of the trip but it will be required to be paid in full by 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021.



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We will attempt to include all those students who wish to come, however places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If you are interested in your son/daughter coming on the trip, please return the slip attached to Mr Miller or Mr Harley with the deposit.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Mr Miller - Teacher of Geography & Rural Skills

Mr Harley – Teacher of History