

16 January 2026

Dear Parent or Carer,

RE: A Level Geography Visit to Iceland

Following the highly successful school visit to Iceland in 2025, I am delighted to offer an A Level Geography fieldwork visit to Iceland. This trip has been planned to support our curriculum requirements and to provide students with a rich and immersive learning experience that enhances their classroom studies.

Key details of the proposed visit are as follows:

- 5 days and 4 nights
- Departure: 1 February 2027
- Return: 5 February 2027
- The primary purpose of the visit is to explore locations that directly support the A level Geography curriculum
- Cost: £1,521.00 per student

The cost includes:

- Return flights
- Full-board accommodation in Iceland (except for one lunch, which students will need to purchase, as well as lunch on the final day depending on flight times)
- Group travel insurance
- Return coach transport from Driffield School to the airport
- Daily coach transport while in Iceland
- An Icelandic guide throughout the visit
- All entrance fees and activities

Trip Itinerary highlights include:

- Reykjanes Peninsula – observing geothermal activity such as hot springs, mud pools, and fumaroles, as well as visiting the 'Bridge Between Two Continents' where students can stand between the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates
- The Secret Lagoon – an opportunity to swim in a naturally heated geothermal lagoon rich in minerals
- Gunnuhver – one of Iceland's most active geothermal areas

- Glacier walking on Sólheimajökull – using crampons and ice axes to explore a glacier that sits atop volcanic activity, revealing layers of volcanic ash within the ice
- Gullfoss, Seljalandsfoss, and Skógarfoss waterfalls – including the opportunity to walk behind one of these iconic falls
- Raufarhólshellir Lava Cave – descending into a lava tube formed over 1,000 years ago to observe mineral formations and lava flow features
- Hellisheiði Geothermal Power Station – a guided tour of a working geothermal plant, demonstrating how geothermal energy supplies approximately 70% of Iceland's electricity
- South Coast – visiting black sand beaches, basalt lava stacks, and coastal features shaped by erosion
- Reykjavík – staying in the world's northernmost capital city, visiting key landmarks, and (weather permitting) searching for the Northern Lights.

The trip will be run by Kipling Tours, an experienced provider who have delivered educational visits to Iceland for many years. They are members of the Travel Trust Association and are fully ATOL protected.

There are 30 places available. If the number of applications exceeds this, a random draw will be held to allocate places. Any deposits paid by students who are unsuccessful will be refunded in full. If we do not receive enough interest in the visit, the visit may not go ahead, and in this instance all deposits paid will also be refunded.

To secure a place, a deposit of £350.00 is required along with completion of the consent form via the following link: [A Level Geography Visit to Iceland, 1 - 5 February 2027 – Fill out form](#). Both the deposit and consent form must be completed by Sunday 1 February 2026 for flights and prices currently being held to be secured.

The payment schedule is as follows:

- 1 April: £350
- 1 June: £350
- 10 July: £271
- 16 October 2026: £200 (final payment)

Interim payments may be made between these dates if preferred.

Once places have been confirmed and flights secured, further information will be shared with students. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs A Morris
Teacher of Geography and Visit Leader

A LEVEL GEOGRAPHY VISIT, 1 – 5 February 2027 – ICELAND

I give permission for my child to participate in the A Level Geography Visit to. I have discussed all matters relating to sensible behaviour and good conduct with my child.

My child understands that they must observe local customs, always acts courteously as an ambassador of Driffield School abroad and comply with teachers' instructions at all times.

I authorise the organiser to act on my behalf in an emergency and to sign on my behalf any consent forms required by medical authorities if they know it would not be advisable to wait for my signature. There will be a further letter regarding medical treatment if this application is successful.

I authorise Mrs A Morris to act as agent on my behalf with Kipling Tours.

I will notify the organiser of any medical conditions, ailment or diet which he should be aware of.

I have paid a deposit of **£350** via ParentPay and agree to pay the remaining balance as indicated on the contact letter should my child receive a place on the visit.

I understand that any payments, once paid to the Tour Company to confirm bookings, **are non-refundable**. All payments are covered by our inclusive insurance policy in the event of a student being unable to travel for bona fide reasons. However, please note that travel on the trip is subject to your child's continued good behaviour; and any incidents of poor behaviour could result in them being removed from the trip with loss of monies paid.

Note.

If your child has previously missed out on any over-subscribed trip at Driffield School, please make us aware of this when you return your deposit. Although this will not guarantee them a place, these circumstances will be taken into consideration should this visit be over-subscribed.

Declaration

Your agreement to this declaration will be taken on the consent form and is required in full in order for your child to participate in the visit.