

**Iceland October 2026 Updates**

Dear parents/carers,

We are excited to be able to share further details of the October 2026 Iceland trip with you.

The trip will be Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October.

**Payment Schedule**

The final cost of the trip is £1,082.20. The final instalment of £782.20 is due by 10th July 2026.

**Flights**

We are flying with Jet2 from Birmingham airport; the flight times are below. Students will be dropped off by parents and collected directly from Birmingham airport. We will confirm drop off and collection times at the parents meeting in September.

	<b>Departure Airport</b>	<b>Dep. Time</b>	<b>Arrival Airport</b>	<b>Arr. Time</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Outbound</b>	Birmingham	08:45	Keflavík	11:45	26 <sup>th</sup> October 2026
<b>Inbound</b>	Keflavík	12:45	Birmingham	15:35	29 <sup>th</sup> October 2026

\*Please note, flight times are subject to change by the airline. We will update you if this happens.

**Passports**

Current Home Office advice on passports is that they should have a minimum of 3 months until their expiry date until you have returned home from your trip to an EU country. Please ensure that your daughter's passport complies with this regulation. We will contact the parents of students with non-British passports separately regarding VISA requirements.

If your daughter requires a new passport, we need to have a copy of this by the 26<sup>th</sup> June.

All students will require a GHIC card (replaced old EHIC cards). These can be obtained free of charge via the NHS website. [Applying for healthcare cover abroad \(GHIC and EHIC\) - NHS](#) This must be obtained before September ready to hand in at the trip meeting.

**Passport Information Form**

Please complete the linked Form to enter your daughter's passport information by Friday Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March (please complete the appropriate sections if a new passport is required). Link - [Iceland 2026 – Fill in form](#)

**Itinerary and Accommodation**

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| <b>Day 1</b> | Fly Birmingham to Keflavík (depart 08:45, arrive 11:45) – Buy lunch locally – Reykjanes peninsula (Bridge between Continents – Gunnhver hot springs – Grindavik and lava flows (subject to local restrictions) – Seltun Geothermal area) – Overnight Hotel Vatnsholt, near Selfoss, with dinner at hotel |
| <b>Day 2</b> | Sólheimajökull – Reynisfjara – Vík – Skógafoss – Seljalandsfoss – Overnight Hotel Cabin, Reykjavik with dinner at hotel or local restaurant                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Day 3</b> | Thingvellir National Park – Secret Lagoon (12:00) – Gullfoss – Geysir – Overnight Hotel Cabin, Reykjavik with dinner at hotel or local restaurant                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Day 4</b> | Direct transfer Reykjavík to Keflavik airport – Fly to Birmingham (depart 12:45, arrive 15:35)                                                                                                                                                                                                           |



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We will be having dinner at restaurants in Reykjavik on two nights – at the Hard Rock Café and the Hamburger Factory. All dietary requirements will be catered for. We will also do an Escape Room activity on one evening in Reykjavik. This is all included in the trip cost.

### **Kit & Luggage**

Please find a detailed kit list on the reverse of this letter.

The luggage dimensions for flying with Jet2 are 1 handbag/small rucksack which must be kept under the seat in front of you (max. 40 x 30 x 15cm) and 1 checked bag (max. 22kg) per person.

### **Trip Meeting for Parents and Students**

In September there will be a meeting for all parents and students attending the trip to Iceland. Information will be given about travel arrangements, kit and the full itinerary. There will also be an opportunity to check emergency contact details and any medical/dietary requirements. Passports and GHIC cards will be collected in at the end of the presentation and held in school until the trip.

Please contact me at school if you have any questions relating to the Iceland trip at [hcv@suttcold.bham.sch.uk](mailto:hcv@suttcold.bham.sch.uk)

Yours faithfully,

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### Recommended clothing and kit list

#### Luggage

We recommend taking as little as possible whilst ensuring you have sufficient to enjoy your trip. Taking too much luggage can be a nuisance, especially if you exceed luggage allowance limits on the flight or wish to buy souvenirs to bring home. It is recommended that both students and teachers are able to comfortably carry their luggage themselves. Walking boots can be worn on the airplane to save weight.

#### Clothing

The key to enjoying a trip to Iceland is to ensure that you remain warm and dry. It is essential to carry a couple of changes of clothing in case you get wet.

**Walking Boots/ Sturdy footwear:** these should have a strong grip to cope with the conditions, which could be muddy, wet or icy and may be steep and uneven with loose stones

**Warm socks** (at least 2 - 3 pairs depending on the duration)

**Waterproof outerwear:** a good wind and rainproof jacket with a hood and rainproof trousers are essential

**Warm hat and gloves** (a scarf or shawl may also be useful)

**Layered clothing:** thermal t shirts, long-sleeved t shirts, jumpers and fleece

**Trousers** warm outdoor or walking trousers/leggings. Keep jeans for indoors where it is warm and dry.

**Thermal base layer (top & bottom)** if you are going in the winter months they can be very useful to keep warm

**Indoors:** the accommodation is warm and comfortable so normal clothes and trainers for inside are fine. Travel slippers or slipper socks are useful for indoors

**Sleepwear:** hotel accommodation is of a good standard and rooms are warm and comfortable. Pyjamas are adequate

**Swimwear:** Swimming suit and towel for the lagoon

**Day bag/ rucksack:** rucksacks are more suitable for Iceland activities than a shoulder bag or satchel

#### Toiletries

##### General Items

Sun glasses

Camera and batteries

Power adaptors (type C Europe)

Other Glasses: should you wear contact lenses then we recommend bringing a spare pair of glasses

**Medication** Please remember to bring any medication required during your stay