



10 December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 13 2026-2027 Geography, Photography and Science Trip to Iceland

We have an exciting opportunity available for our current Year 12 students of Geography, Photography and Science to visit Iceland. **This trip will take place during the next academic year, when the students are in Year 13** and is not a compulsory trip.

The trip will be four days and three nights. It will include visiting a volcano and hot springs, waterfalls, a walk on a glacier and along black volcanic beaches, as well as taking in the capital city, Reykjavik. And more!

The dates are **Thursday 29 October to Sunday 01 November 2026** (half-term).

Please see the provisional itinerary, below:

Provisional itinerary	
Day 1	Keflavik and Reykjanes Peninsula. Overnight stay in the countryside (hostel)
Day 2	Eyjafjallajökull flood plain, glacier walk on Sólheimajökull, the village of Vik, beach walk at Reynisfjara, visit to the Skógafoss and Gljúfrabúi waterfalls. Overnight in the countryside (hostel).
Day 3	Veragerði Hot Spring Walk, the Great Geysir (geyser), Gullfoss waterfall, Thingvellir (where two tectonic plates move apart). Overnight stay in Reykjavik (hostel).
Day 4	Transfer from Reykjavik to Keflavik Airport. Return to UK.

Students will depart from and arrive back to Bristol Airport.

The current cost is estimated to be £1,110. This is for a package by Discover the World, who will provide the flights, tours and transport within Iceland and accommodation. You can view a brochure about their trips to Iceland [here](#). This [video](#) also demonstrates why we would love your child to join us on this trip. Please note that the cost is subject to change based on student numbers.

To register your interest, please fill in the following Microsoft Form which will **go live on Monday 15 December at midday**:

[Y13 Iceland Trip 2026 - REGISTER OF INTEREST – Fill in form](#)

Places will be given on a first come first served basis. **Please note that Geography students will be given priority as the trip is being run by the Geography Department.**

If your student is given a place, you will receive a letter setting out the payment plan. The first payment would be £300 due on 30 January 2026. If you have any queries regarding Parent Pay, you require financial assistance or if your child is in receipt of the 16-19 Bursary, please contact the Finance Team at finance@backwellschool.net.

Kind regards

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