



5 March 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Iceland Trip 2026

Thank you for the payments to date and supplying the travel information so far.

The travel company have reserved spaces on the below Icelandair flights for us:

29 Oct 2026 Heathrow 12:15 – 15:30 Keflavik

01 Nov 2026 Keflavik 07:35 – Heathrow 10:50

There will be an information evening closer to the trip.

The next steps are to provide information to Student Services by 27 March:

- **Fill in Student Essential Information (EV5) form**
- **Check your young person's travel documents for validity to travel in October/November**
- **Submit passport and GHIC copies to Student Services (emailed photos are sufficient)**

Full details of requirements below:

Documents and information required by Student Services – deadline 27 March 2026

Student Essential Information
<p>Please see the link for the Student's Essential Information Form (EV5) which is required for all residential trips*:</p> <p><u>STUDENT ESSENTIAL INFORMATION (EV5) - ICELAND 2026 – Fill in form</u></p> <p>*If any of this information changes in the lead up to the trip please inform the school so that the trip leaders have the correct information in case of an emergency</p>

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Passport and Health Insurance

Your child will need to have a valid passport for travel in October 2026. **Travellers need a passport issued within the last 10 years, with at least 3 months validity beyond their planned departure date from the Schengen area, and at least two blank pages** to meet the entry requirements for the European Union. Please ensure that you follow any national travel guidelines in the lead-up to the trip, including any visa requirements that may apply.

Entry requirements information can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/iceland/entry-requirements>

We are also advising students to apply for, and travel with, a valid Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC) as this can be helpful should the need arise to access medical services while away. This can be applied for via the NHS. The school's travel insurance will continue to give access to the full range of emergency medical services.

Please note it is parents' responsibility to ensure passport requirements, and any visas, are met for travel.

Document copies for Student Services

Please email copies of the below to Student Services – studentservices@backwellschool.net:

- Student's passport
- Student's GHIC card

If you require any further information regarding the trip, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Yours sincerely

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